



Going up in flames

Sophomore Hailey Fox had just come home from a church ball game on Saturday, January 9th, when she started hearing crashes and footsteps coming from downstairs...(continued on page 2)



THE DESTRUCTION CAPTURED: Shortly after the fire department was contacted, the house was totally destroyed. Almost everything was lost, save for some family pictures and one precious doll *Photo by abcnews.com*

Mrs. Bryant bids farewell to the Hall

BY BIANCA SASS
Staff Editor

Since 2009, Mrs. Mary Lea Bryant has been our Middle School Director and has made quite the impact on Harpeth Hall. We will be saying goodbye to her at the end of this year.

When asked how Mrs. Bryant has impacted her personally, one anonymous 8th grader said, "She was my advisor and was always there for me... she [had] my best interests in mind...she helped me branch out and discover the opportunities that Harpeth Hall offers, that I had never thought about

trying."

Another 8th grader answered the same question by saying, "Mrs. Bryant helps me and answers my questions with care and thoughtfulness."

When reading these quotes, the Middle School Director teared up and spoke of how happy she is to have left a positive impact on the school. Mrs. Bryant was then asked about how she felt about leaving. She said, "On one hand I feel sad. I will miss the girls, I will miss the faculty, I'll miss the energy everyday. On the other hand...I think it is time for my family and for me."

As for what the busy woman plans to do in her retired years, she says, "We have our first granddaughter and so we will spend more time with her. She lives in Alabama. I think we will do a little bit of travelling and I hope maybe I will take some courses at Vanderbilt."

However, despite spending time with her family, travelling and immersing herself even more into academics, Mrs. Bryant will still miss the school she has been an integral part of for these 7 years.

Mrs. Bryant says she will miss "watching a girl grow in middle school...because it is one of the great joys to watch

girls grow and become more confident." In consolation, Mrs. Bryant says, "because I went to school here, my daughter went to school here I don't feel like I am going to be 100 percent leaving it. I keep saying they can't totally kick me out."

Mrs. Bryant is leaving behind a powerful legacy at Harpeth Hall; however, her place will be filled by an accomplished candidate. Judi O'Brien, who is currently a middle school dean of students and a master 8th grade humanities teacher in Brooklyn, New York, will assume the role as director of the middle school in July.



Mrs. Bryant and Husband: Mrs. Bryant poses with her husband at the Met Gala. *Photo by conservancyonline.com*



Is Prom worth all the fuss?
page 5



What is Montgomery Bell Academy really like?
page 10



Senior Superlatives
Backpage

Fox family reflects on tragic fire

BY KEELY AND SHAYE HENDRICKS
Editor-in-Chief and Arts and Entertainment
Editor

Sophomore Hailey Fox had just come home from a church ball game on Saturday, January 9th, when she started hearing crashes and footsteps coming from downstairs.

Terrified, she assumed that someone was breaking into her house, and she retreated to the bathroom hallway. She started texting her parents, "Where are you? Come home, I think someone is breaking into the house."

Her mom assured her that it was probably her younger brother, Matthew, but Hailey was not convinced. Then, she started smelling smoke, and as the crashes and footsteps continued, the fire alarm went off. Her next thought was that someone was setting her house on fire.

Hailey walked into her bedroom bathroom, locked the door, and hid behind her shower curtain. She said, "I was shaking, and I didn't really know what was happening." She started texting and calling her neighbors, telling them, "I need you to come here," "I need you to call the cops," "I'm trapped and I don't know how I'm going to get out." Her neighbor, MBA sophomore Alexander Roberts, managed to call the cops.

She was in the bathroom for five minutes. When she opened the door, everything was black. She said, "If I put my hand in front of my face, I couldn't see it." As the smoke seeped in the room, Hailey found it harder to breathe. She said, "I could hear the smoke—or the fire—coming closer because I could hear all the crashes. So at that point, I knew—everything was going down."

From the bathroom window, she could see flames, so she knew she didn't have much time. She started banging on the double-paned glass; her dad, 6 year old sister, friends, and neighbors had arrived and

were watching below in horror, shouting, "Get out! Get out!"

After shouting for help, Hailey realized that nobody could get to her. Adrenaline taking over her body, she kicked through the glass, climbed out, and jumped out the second-story window into her father's arms, who tried to break her fall. She narrowly escaped the flames with deep cuts on her legs, scraped from the shingles of her roof. Her father, Brian Fox, said, "[she] jumped out the window without hesitation, and I can't tell you how brave that was."

"Hailey jumped out the window without hesitation, and I can't tell you how brave that was."

However, her 14 year old brother, Matthew, was still in the house, nowhere to be found. Hailey said, "That was really hard because I felt guilty that I had gotten out first, and I didn't know if he was going to be okay." Finally, Mr. Fox spotted Matthew trying to break out of another second-story window with a step ladder.

After successfully breaking through the glass, he jumped on his dad, who was waiting below on a ladder.

However, this escape was not smooth sailing. The ladder holding both Matthew and Mr. Fox fell backwards. Mr. Fox broke Matthew's fall, but he broke his elbow and three other bones in the process. Matthew sustained cuts on his leg and hand, causing permanent nerve damage on one finger.

When interviewed by Channel 5 News, Mr. Fox described the utter fear of arriving to that fiery scene. He said, "When I got there, I thought, 'I am going to lose two of my four children today.' And it was just so painful."

Although both Hailey and Matthew made it out safely, the house did not fare so well. It burned to the ground, taking all of the Fox's belongings with it, an estimated \$1 million worth of damage.

The Foxes later learned that a hoverboard, Matthew's Christmas present, had been responsible for the fire. Hoverboards have started 40 fires in 19 states since they were first released.

After the fire, Hailey and their family lived with their grandmother for a month. Currently, they are living in a rental house and have until next January to find a new

"I drove over with another friend of mine to the house when I got the picture just so I could see it one last time. When I arrived, half of the house had been torn down and the other half was falling in. Immediately ran in and tried to look around."

"I kid you not after looking for a few minutes, I saw my baby doll just sitting in the middle of the ashes and rubbish. I'm embarrassed to say that I bawled like a baby when I found it, and Clay took a video to prove it. I didn't even care though because I was so happy. Honestly, it was one of the best moments of my life just because it was something of mine, you know?"

However, Hailey is staying positive, despite the overwhelming loss. She said, "Honestly, this experience has brought me closer to so many people and I've been able to see that all that really matters is my family and friends. Yes it was hard to lose all of our stuff, but at the end of the day it's just stuff. My family was so lucky for so many reasons...I really appreciate everything everyone has done, and I can't even put into words how much it has meant to me."

Hailey's last remarks are evidence of her persevering humility and gratefulness, which have remained untouched despite the fire: "In all honesty, this article shouldn't be about me. Something bad happened to me that I couldn't control, and I dealt with it in a logical way (aka getting out of the house), but it's my friends who have truly been the heroes in this story."

"Each one of them found their own way to help me and gave me unending support. I just want to say that I love each one of them more than they will ever know and that I can never thank them enough. They honestly saved me. I just want to say thank you to them and if they're reading it right now, I love you all so much. Thank you."

Brian Fox

home.

Unfortunately, the insurance money has not yet come in, so progress has been stagnant. Hailey described her current situation as a feeling of displacement and a never-ending vacation that she just wants to come home from.

As for personal belongings, the Foxes were able to salvage some pictures and their parent's wedding album. Hailey also found her beloved childhood babydoll, Pocahontas, which brought back a flood of emotions.

Hailey said, "One of my best friends [MBA sophomore Clay Garstin] sent me a picture of my house being torn down a few weeks ago. I broke down crying because I had wanted to go back and walk through it to see if I could find anything of my own. I got this baby doll, (I named her Pocahontas), when I was two years-old which has been really special to me since then and if I could have chosen one thing to find, that was it."

An impressive AP show

BY DHARA PATEL
News Editor

Harpeth Hall's Upper School Art, Photo and AP Studio Art Shows ran from April 19 to May 1. The AP show, in particular, featured works by the school's own AP Studio Art students.

"The gallery was filled with the most creative works of art, and it was clear the students had worked very hard," sophomore Samantha Ruccio said.

Students dedicate the entire year towards creating their final AP portfolio. Priya Patel, an AP Studio Art student, said, "Our portfolio consists of both a concentration and breadth. The concentration must contain 12 pieces that demonstrate an in-depth exploration of a particular theme or idea.

The breadth section is also 12 pieces that demonstrate an understanding of a variety of art techniques and mediums."

The creativity among the artists is evident when looking at the diversity of concentrations that filled the gallery this past April. Concentrations vary from politics to family to landscapes. Patel chose to tell the "story of a mirror" by painting portraits of friends and family.

Abbey Snow, another AP student, worked with a number of fairy tales including Cinderella, Goldilocks, Sleeping Beauty and Aladdin. Meanwhile, Alex Scott's concentration focused on her high school experience.

Rosie Paschall, AP Studio Art teacher, says, "Art makes us human. We see things when we see work by the great ones,

creating art, structures, advertising, etc. Art relies on imagination and problem solving, and—thank goodness—colleges are finally putting stock in the creative student, and are far more interested in an applicant who is not only involved in the arts but also can articulate and demonstrate it."

After working in the Harpeth Hall art department for nearly 30 years, Mrs. Paschall describes this year as a "special year," not only because it is her last, but also because of the wonderful girls she has been able to teach. She said, "It was evident to every viewer that each student had worked hard to demonstrate their uniqueness with their subject matter, medium and content. The beauty of art is that each viewer responds in a completely different

way and comes away with a memory, a mystery or a desire to create something themselves. For this reason, this group put on one of the best overall shows in memory, and on a personal note, it was a great ending for me."

The outstanding AP Art show makes one think—where would we be without artists? Mrs. Paschall answers, "Look around, from buildings, interior and product design, fashion, illustration, magazines, billboards, food and drink labels, everything in a supermarket, department stores, your vehicle, and on and on, because without an artist, the world would fall off its axis."

Harpeth Hall's senior artists were able to share their love for art and show all of their year's hard work in the AP Art show.



CAPTURING AP ARTISTS: Rosie Paschall and her seniors pose for a photo at their AP Art show (top). Mrs. Paschall teaches some of her art students (bottom). Photos by Lee Lee Johnson and Joanne Mamenta

Hudson Walker's life remembered

BY KARIN SCOTT
Staff Editor

Monday, May 2nd, 2016 is a day many at Harpeth Hall will never forget. On that day, many lost a great friend, MBA sophomore Hudson Walker.

Usually filled with chatter, on May 3rd, the hallways at Harpeth Hall were as quiet as they had ever been. This loud silence echoed through the school as we struggled to find the words to describe this significant loss.

Whether or not people knew him, it seems that everyone has been shaken by this tragedy. The junior class gathered in an impromptu meeting to share memories of a boy who left us all too soon.

In an eloquent address to her classmates,

Sterling Akers reflected on Hudson's life, "He was one of the most genuinely kind and polite people I've ever met. He was always dressed in a button down and khakis, especially when he was gonna see my dad... He had the best voice, the smoothest, most southern voice that I loved to listen to on the phone while I was falling asleep. He made every person he met feel incredibly special and blessed to know him."

If anyone wasn't in tears at this point, then they certainly began to cry when Sterling talked about his family: "His family is always selfless, and his little sister—Sinclair who's in 7th grade—is amazing. She loves to dance. His little brother did everything he could to be like him—dressed

like him, walked like him—because, I mean, who wouldn't want to be like him?"

When news of Hudson's death reached the community on the night of May 2nd, social media was filled with prayers and reflection.

MBA sophomore Will Trotman tweeted, "I've never met a person with a heart as big as Hudson Walker's. Rest in peace buddy, we're gonna miss you. Dixie don't come easy."

MBA junior Mac Lassing posted, "The Big Red family lost a brother today. Rest easy Hudson."

Harpeth Hall sophomore Emma Farrington tweeted, "We all wish you had more time. Rest easy Hudson."

Junior Turner Johnson wrote, "Go rest high Hudson, you are

loved and we're praying for your family."

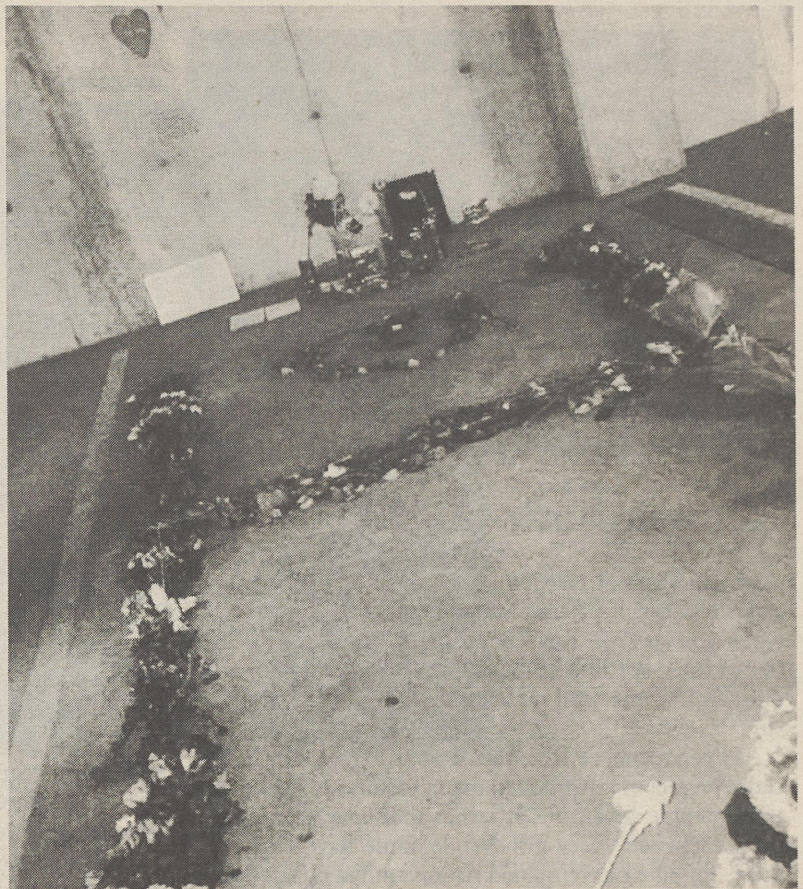
This tragic event has brought Hudson's community together as we are reminded to tell people how much we love them and to not take life, or anything, for granted.

Although he is physically gone, he will never truly leave us because of the light that lives in each and everyone who knew him. As long as we remember, he will be with us.

Those who knew him hope that we will all remember him as the outgoing, selfless person he was.

In the words of Sterling Akers, "He made every person he met feel incredibly special and blessed to know him. He was a light, he lit up every room."

Rest in peace, Hudson Walker. Your life will never be forgotten.



A SPECIAL SPOT FOR HUDSON: In memory of Hudson Walker, friends and family gathered to decorate his parking spot at Montgomery Bell Academy. Photo by Margot May

Traveling back in time with Logos From Ward Belmont's Hyphen to Harpeth Hall's Logos

BY BIANCA SASS
Staff Editor

Journalism has a long history in our halls, and rightfully so.

"[Journalism] gives the students a voice," former Logos sponsor Denise Croker said. "They need to be able to respond to their world, [and] understand [it] through interviewing and investigating... whether it's about this particular school or the world at large."

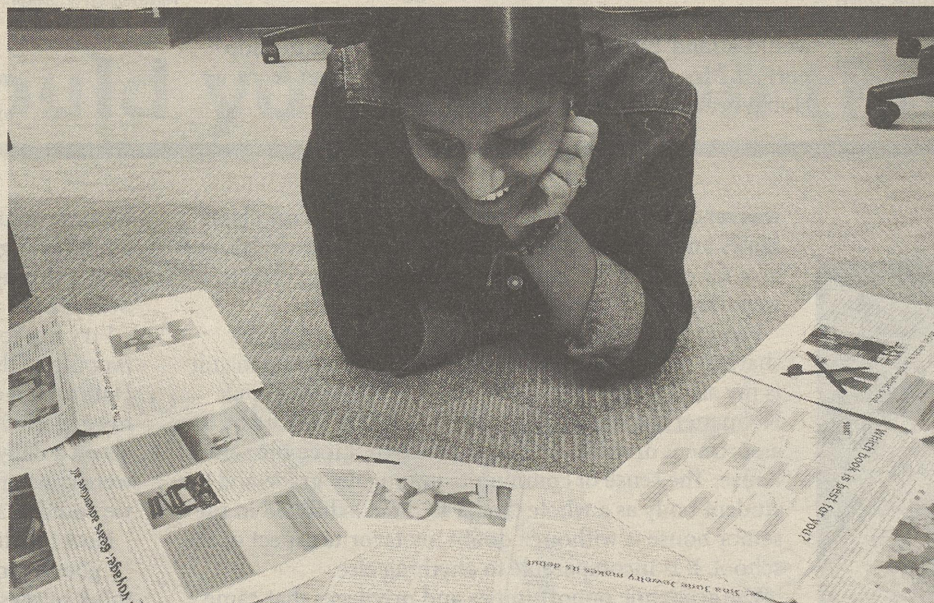
What we now call Logos is one hundred and three years old, and has, like our school, gone through many transitions. From the Ward-Belmont Hyphen, to Logos II, to Logos and LogosNow, could these even be considered the same newspaper?

The Ward-Belmont Hyphen was in publication from 1913 to 1951. The six-page paper was printed weekly every Saturday. Dr. Mary Ellen Pethel, U.S. history teacher and school archivist, says, "The hyphen stood for the fact that [Ward Seminary and Belmont] had joined."

The Hyphen covered the campus news as well as local happenings. There were even commercials for nearby businesses. It was very clean looking, with few images. According to Dr. Pethel, "It's competitor was the Vanderbilt student paper called The Hustler."

The Hyphen had many segments appealing to the students that would seem foreign to Harpeth Hall girls today. For instance, an issue from 1929 had "Senior Statistics" with short poems about the upperclassmen.

The Hyphen ended along with Ward-Belmont in the mid-twentieth century. After the school moved to the current cam-



ADMIRING THE PAST: Bushra Rahman, sophomore, looks back on old Logos newspapers. Photo by Dhara Patel

pus and was renamed Harpeth Hall, there wouldn't be a new permanent newspaper for a few decades. There were attempts, but none caught on until later.

In the early 1980s, Logos II was launched. This phase of Logos more closely resembles what is published today by Harpeth Hall students. For instance, they had quizzes for the readers, talked about concerts in town, and wrote about national issues.

However there were still differences among the two papers. Logos II was much less secular, involving articles about psalms, and one informing the readers about the story of Hanukkah.

Some issues were also more personal. In the May 1971 edition, there was an article entitled "Rumors Cause Unneces-

sary Pain." Today, the Logos team avoids promoting any religion.

There was even a superlatives column for the middle school in '87, with titles including "the best all around" "the most in love" and "the best social lion."

Some might say that Logos II writers even had more freedom of speech. There was an article called "Does the Punishment Fit the Crime" written in February 1989 about Harpeth Hall's absence policy at the time. There was even a piece explaining in detail why the drama teacher was fired.

If you have ever wondered where the name Logos comes from, Mrs. Croker has your answer. She says "The sponsor at the time [Logos II began] was Joyce Ward. She had taken the students to some journal-

ism conference... there was a paper they ran across that they really admired, and it was called Logos." Logos is a Greek word loosely translated to words or reason.

Mrs. Croker explained that the title Logos seemed fitting, as it was the students' words. So the girls took the ideas they loved from our paper's namesake and brought them back to Harpeth Hall, creating Logos II.

When Mrs. Croker became the sponsor in the 90s, she decided to drop the II, knowing not many students knew it was even a reference. As a result, we were left with our beloved Logos.

Though the newspaper has been in a constant state of transition since the early twentieth century, this doesn't mean it is of completely different nature. "I'm not sure it's changed so much," Mrs. Croker said.

The staff writers and editors still hold their writing to the utmost standards, and it is still evident in the topics they choose how much each girl cares about Harpeth Hall as well as society at large. Students did and still do manage to find fascinating topics that can captivate anyone.

From the article in the November 1987 paper about an incident in which vandals spray painted band names and lyrics on Harpeth Hall's campus, to another one revealing that the building of the track had unearthed six-hundred year-old Indian graves, to the 1988 feature about Harpeth Hall acquiring the Kirkland house, to this year's first article about staff LGBT rights, our history is woven into the pages of each edition.

Logos is truly a tribute to the old saying: the more things seem to change, the more they stay the same.

Class of 2016 released into wild



WELCOME TO THE JUN6LE: Safari Chicks raise their paws moments before convocation. Photo courtesy of Caroline Bennett

Graduation is right around the corner and for Harpeth Hall's seniors, it will be their last day as students of Harpeth Hall. As this reality has set in for the Safari Chicks, many have started to reminisce on their time at Harpeth Hall. We asked two students, Hannah Huth and Caroline Bennett, to reflect on their high school experience and express their hope for the future with "Final Say" letters. Their nostalgic and grateful reflections are not only personal, but also universal words of wisdom that will resonate with all those who have proudly walked these Halls in plaid.



Hannah Huth

My six years at Harpeth Hall have been a journey, a safari if you will. There have been times of immense joy when you spot the rare cheetah (ace the test), and then there are those times when you find yourself fifteen miles away from camp with no water in the scorching African sun.

As I've journeyed with the class of 2016 from the Decades project of 7th grade to the sandstorm of junior year to the jungle adventure of senior year, I've learned a lot from each and every girl. While some have come and gone, our core has remained strong, united by tan bucket hats and "yards and yards of plaid." As I reflect on this safari across the Harpeth Hall grasslands/the Ann Teaff Quadrangle/Souby Lawn, I see the cumbersome dresses and bright suits of George Washington, late night dance parties on the 8th grade DC trip, the joys of my on-campus Winterim classes, the determination to solve Mrs. Biegl's Hungarian math packets, watching 200 hours of Neurosurgery in Junior Winterim, and the thrills of the "last night we were young together."

Perhaps the greatest part of my time at Harpeth Hall has been orchestra. Since the first time I sat down with the Upper School orchestra in 8th grade, I have been a part of the orchestra family: the place on campus I feel the most comfortable, the most joyous, the most cre-

ative, and the most carefree! While we may play in a gym rather than our beloved orchestra room to which we no longer fit, playing the viola with my Harpeth Hall Orchestra family led by our mama McDermott makes every morning all the better. When I think about leaving Harpeth Hall, I feel confident in my path and excited for my future; however, it will be very difficult to leave the part I so love and cherish.

When I return on this safari adventure to Harpeth Hall in the years to come, I hope to see a more progressive atmosphere that encompasses the value of diversity: racially, spiritually, sexually and economically. I would like to see girls united by the education they share and the ways in which they differ. I would like to see young women that have a great understanding of the world around them outside of Nashville, TN--greater wavelengths of thought and deeper discussion about the "hard stuff," so much of which Dr. Balmer has brought to the table within the past two years!

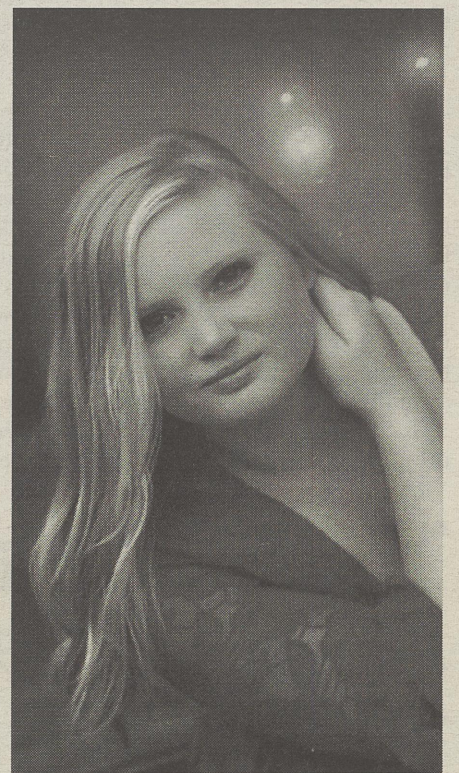
My advice to you, underclassmen and even rising Seniors, listen to your college counselors. In middle school, I actually had an excel spreadsheet of all my dream colleges and their statistics, and Indiana was not one. Mrs. Evans hammered away with her suggestion of Indiana University, but I would not budge. I never thought I would attend Indiana University, and through the support of Mrs. Evans, I am thrilled to transform from a Honeybear to a Hoosier.

Harpeth Hall has taught me to look beyond my excel spreadsheets, behind the closed doors, and not just past the impossible but into the future.

While this Safari has had its moments, I am thankful for the teachers that have pushed me and the girls that have made it fun.

THANKFUL: Hannah Huth expresses her gratitude to her classmates and teachers for making her high school career fun and challenging.

Photo courtesy of Hannah Huth.



Caroline Bennett



IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE: Caroline Bennett is amazed by how fast her high school years have flown by. Photo courtesy of Caroline Bennett

I never knew six years would go by this fast.

I have high school to thank for freeing me from the tragedy that is a middle school mixer. It gets better, ladies. I promise. Being at the bottom of the social food chain is humbling to say the least, but it made me all the more excited to be an upperclassman.

Junior year was tough, but necessary. Let me tell you, the widely talked-about term paper is no joke. Rest assured, however; I got through it with all 103 of my classmates with only a minor, relatively treatable case of sleep deprivation.

The time between the end of my junior year and the beginning of my final year at the Hall was honestly a blur. The next thing I remember was charging into the Frances Bond Davis theatre for convocation. Clad in safari gear from head to toe and surrounded by my fellow seniors, I

was ready to take on the year. I had faith that my classmates and I would show more resilience, knowledge, and love for each other than that of any preceding class to walk the school's beloved halls.

I soon found out that senior year came with its fair share of perks. First of all, the senior house was and still is my all-time favorite spot to hang out in on campus. No matter the mess or interesting odors produced by the assortment of meals being microwaved, I love the senior house. The sense of community among my grade and the student body as a whole that is so often exhibited in the senior house is without a doubt my favorite aspect of the school. It is incomparable to anything else.

The academic opportunities and privileges that came with senior year were just as (if not more) exciting in my opinion. In the fall, I signed up to take Creative Writing with Mrs. Powers. This class changed my life, as cliché as it may sound. I was never one to speak up or share my writing in any previous English class; however, something about the safe environment created by Mrs. Powers made it possible for me to do so. Mrs. Powers is truly one of a kind, and I only wish I had gotten the opportunity to get to know her sooner.

Ms. Jervis, my French teacher, is yet another example of a teacher who both enriched my academic experience and supported me emotionally. This year marked my third and final year of being in Ms. Jervis's French class, and I wouldn't trade that time for anything. She taught me that failure (literal failure) does not define me, and that focus, determination, and resilience are the true keys of success.

Though not a teacher, college counselor Mrs. Evans is my hero (putting family aside of course). Not only has Mrs. Evans led me beautifully to finding a nurturing environment for my college career, but she has also

become an unmatched confidante and support system. I am forever grateful to these three women, who have stuck by me through thick and thin and made my final year the best yet.

I try not to have regrets, especially when I'm so close to flipping to the next chapter of my life outside of Harpeth Hall. One factor that I wish I could have changed about my experience was the competitiveness among individuals on a daily basis. Sometimes it felt like my peers and I were constantly running on overdrive, waiting to see who we could beat next to gain the best title.

Now I realize what my mom means when she tells me, "It goes by in the blink of an eye." It's honestly bizarre to think of myself as being a fourth-quarter senior with so little time left until Graduation.

Even since Winterim, I have gained so many life-long friends that I can't imagine leaving right now. So thank you, Harpeth Hall, for providing me with the opportunity to meet these incredible people and for enriching the most influential six years of my life.

Thank you to my teachers for taking the time to not only explain difficult content to this sometimes struggling student, but also for seeking to build relationships with me.

Most of all, thank you to my safari chicks for allowing me to be your friend and classmate. I'll miss hearing the cheers from the senior house when someone signs the wall. I'll miss wearing our bucket hats together. I'll miss seeing our yards and yards of plaid. I'll miss our dance parties on the patio. I'll miss you all, but I can't wait to see everyone at our 10-, 20-, and 50-year reunions.

Our time together doesn't end here, though. I know these friendships and my memories of these halls will stand the test of time. Long live honeybear pride.

Prom: Worth all the fuss?

BY HALLE PETRIE
Staff Writer

Ah, prom: as *High School Musical* would put it, a night to remember. When I was a kid, I thought of prom as the climax of high school, the one night where everyone gets in beautiful long dresses and dances the night away. But is prom really worth all the fuss?

That is the question that I set out to answer... and the results were mixed. When asked if prom is overrated in general, 60% of students said that it isn't, but the other 40% disagreed. And when you think about it, 40% of the 150 students who answered the poll is a lot – that's 60 people!

The reason for their disapproval resides in the cost. On April 9, more than half of our Juniors and Seniors spent over \$300. Keep in mind that many girls go to two proms, therefore expending approximately \$600. If that doesn't scream overrated, I don't know what does. Using \$300 as the average amount of money spent on Harpeth Hall prom per girl attending sums up to a grand total of \$60,000. However, that is only taking into account each girl's personal experience: dress, hair, makeup, shoes, dinner, and tickets.

So what about the cost of prom build? In the previous two years, the junior classes of 2015 and 2016 each spent approximately \$20,000. Many people think that at least a fraction of this sum could be going to some kind of charity, including the current Junior class treasurer, Mary Kate Roach.

"As the class treasurer, sometimes I could not believe how much money we were spending on prom," Roach said. "However, the outcome was amazing and I know that our grade learned valuable skills while planning prom." "At first, it seemed like the budget would be more than enough to cover prom. But you don't realize how many little purchases add up. I think that the budget was reasonable for the type of prom Harpeth Hall puts on. But I do think that it would have been nice to spend less money on this event that lasts only a couple hours, and give some of the budget to a better cause."

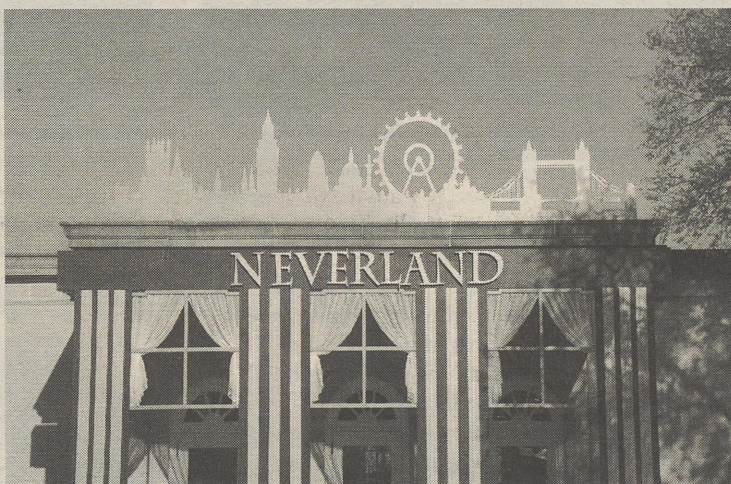
Harpeth Hall prom is consistently incredible. From "Empire State of Mind" to "A Night in Neverland," the amount of effort, time, and love put into it is inspiring. It gives the juniors an amazing sense of responsibility and pride to see all their hard work pay off, and the seniors appreciation because they were in the same positions of the juniors just one year before.

But for a total of 3 hours spent in the theater, gallery, and gym, \$80,000 between student costs and the costs of putting the dance on seems excessive. This sum of money could be going to college funds, numerous charities... the possibilities are endless. The whole Harpeth Hall population could barely raise \$5,000 for Lwala, a cause that genuinely needs us, in a year.

The first step to change is awareness, and we are barely even to that point. Prom will be a night to remember no matter how elaborate the decorations are because we spend it with our friends, but perhaps it would be more morally and emotionally worthwhile if we help those in need along the way.



A NIGHT TO REMEMBER: Seniors Ally Nawrocki (left) and Kathryn Brown (right) enjoy their last high school prom, taking pictures on the iconic Senior Patio. Photo courtesy of Ally Nawrocki



A NIGHT IN NEVERLAND: Juniors outdo themselves decorating the McMurry Center for Arts and Athletics. Photo courtesy of Ally Nawrocki

College tuition too much?

BY ALLY NAWROCKI
Staff Writer

Since the moment we begin our time here at the upper school, it seems like our lives revolve around one specific goal. Every test we stress over, every late night, all the time we spend worrying about our GPAs...we seem to do it all in the name of one thing: college.

You may have begun getting questions about where you were thinking about going to college as early as freshman year, or maybe even earlier. And for our parents, they may have been thinking about it since the moment we were born. They dream about where we will end up, what we will choose to major in, but more than anything, they worry about how they will pay for it.

Unfortunately for those of us who are about to head off to college, and the ones who come after us, tuition for colleges throughout the country has risen dramatically in recent years. Tuition at a private university now costs three times more than it did in 1972 at an average of \$31,000 dollars a year, while public tuition now costs four times as much for in-state

students.

These amounts do not include the costs of room and board, books, or additional spending. For the average American, it is almost impossible to pay this amount of tuition for one or more children while still being able to support themselves.

When looking at these sometimes extraordinarily large prices, I have thought to myself that there is no way it could actually cost that much for a college to educate a student for one year. However, the *New York Times* states that, "According to the National Center for Education Statistics, the average bill at the top-tier schools is just over \$50,000, yet they spend considerably more than \$100,000 a year educating each student. The difference is made up from government funds, grants, alumni gifts, and their own large endowments."

These prices are not simply rising because colleges want to make more money, but overall they are trying to make themselves more competitive by having newer and nicer facilities and more educated and renowned faculty, which in turn leads them to raise tuition.

Although the sticker price may be shocking at first glance, the reality is that the majority

of students do not end up paying the numbers you see when searching a school's full tuition. According to the *New York Times*, "A school that charges \$50,000 is able to offer a huge range of inducements to different sorts of students: some could pay \$10,000, others \$30,000 or \$40,000. And a handful can pay the full price."

Nevertheless, these reduced prices are many times still out of reach for most American families, which is why the United States has fallen from first place in 1970 to fourteenth place in the world for most students attending college.

All this to say, providing students with higher education is not only an individual concern, but also a concern for our society. It is true that not every person living in the United States can or should grow up to be a doctor or a lawyer, but a more educated youth is better in the long run for our society as a whole, no matter what fields they choose to go into.

As a nation we should make education a top priority because not only will it improve our present situation, but it is an investment that will pay off greatly in the future.

LOGOS
Issue 2
October 12, 2015

Editors-in-Chief
Claire Gould
Keely Hendricks
Gracie Pope

News Editors
Dhara Patel
Priya Patel
Eleonor Wright

Opinions Editors
Augusta Bowhay
Bushra Rahman

Features Editors
Mary Grace Kelley
Eleanor Smith

A&E Editors
Lizzy Asad
Ava Boney
Shaye Hendricks

Sports Editors
Carrie Brake
Margaret Gaw
Kelsey Kay Herring

Backpage Editor
Saffee Croker

Copy Editor
Ella McKenzie

Photography Editor
Emma Wise

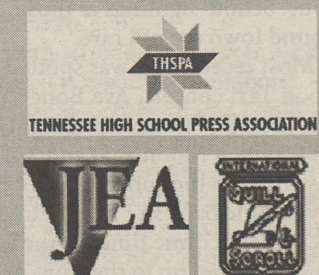
Multimedia Editor
Emily Edwards

Video Editors
Taylor Farrington
Franny Ford

Advisers
Emy Noel
Adam Wilsman

Logos is a student publication of Harpeth Hall. It represents the students' voices, views and opinions. It is in no way reflective of the faculty, staff or administration of the school. Any questions can be directed to Claire Gould, Keely Hendricks and Gracie Pope, Editors-in-Chief, or Adam Wilsman, adviser.

Logos encourages Letters to the Editor. Letters should not exceed 250 words, and they must be signed by the author to be considered for publication. *Logos* reserves the right to edit the letters for length, grammar, and content. Letters may be submitted to Opinions Editors Augusta Bowhay and Bushra Rahman.



Multi-linguist Paul Tuzeneu: A Legend

BY MARGARET GAW AND ELEONOR WRIGHT

Sports Editor and News Editor

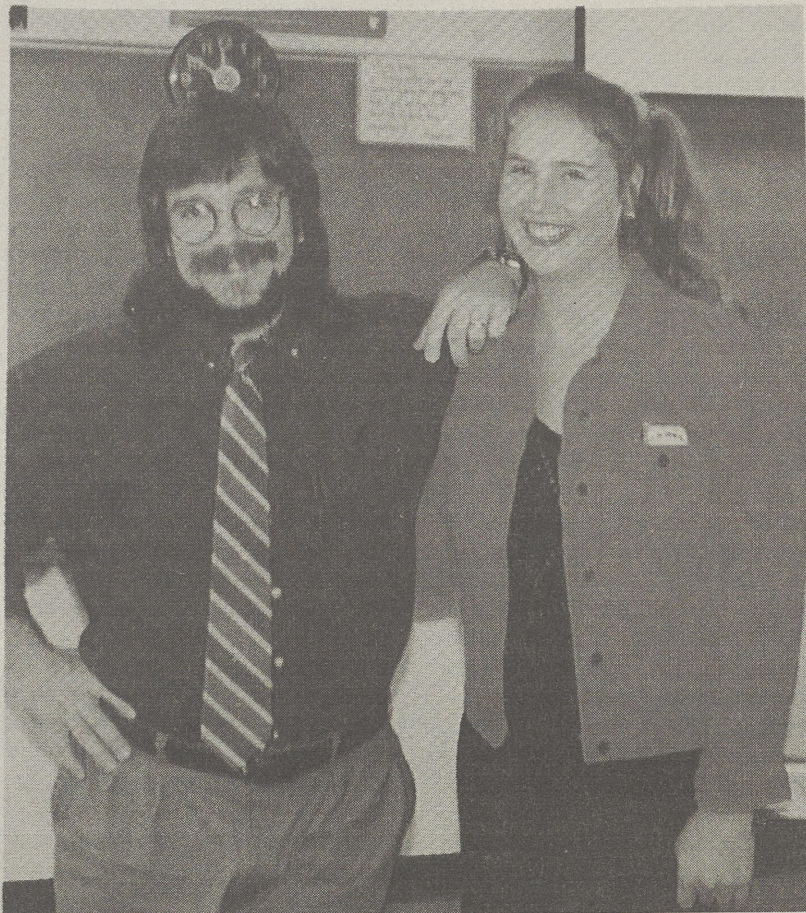
He yells "ATTENDANCE" and tells the first ten people to get up and dance. He comments "Forget the cotton, give me the gin." He says on Tuesday, "It's Tuz-day!" He is the pun-master, the legend, Paul Tuzeneu.

If you haven't had the chance to experience a class with this man affectionately known as Tuz, we pity you. Puns (as seen above) make daily appearances and a class is not Tuz's class without laughter. However, Tuz is so much more than the teacher of arguably the most fun class in the high school.

Tuz came to Harpeth Hall in 1982 after graduating from the University of North Carolina. Harpeth Hall was his first "real" job, after some small odd jobs, and he is extremely proud of the letter he received from Harpeth Hall asking him to come teach.

Tuz cannot pin down all the funny memories he has had at Harpeth Hall because there are so many. However, along with the frequent pranks, to name a funny moment is when Deborah Otuno turned on the thermostat in his classroom. He says, "it took me till lunch to recover."

When asked how he learned to speak German, French, Spanish, English and Italian, Tuz says, "one at a time," and he mentions he is excited to learn Latin in the future. Tuz was motivated to learn more



TUZ BACK IN THE DAY: Senor Tuz strikes a pose at Harpeth Hall a while back Photo courtesy of Eleonor Wright

languages by a little friendly encouragement. French was the first language he learned and when a friend told him he was learning German, Tuz just knew he had to learn German too.

From France and Spain to the Vatican and Normandy, Tuz has traveled all over the world using his linguistic abilities. One of his favorite trips was to Mont St. Michelle, and another memorable trip for Tuz was to Normandy, where his father landed on D-Day during World War II.

Some of Tuz's favorite hobbies include building things (aka tool time!!) and formerly riding his motorcycles. Because of a changed bus route and limited funds, Tuz bought his first motorcycle, a Honda CB 175 named Bobo.

Now the answer to the question you have all been waiting for: how does Tuz make up so many puns? He claims his hearing is getting bad, but in reality, we have a linguist genius in our presence at the Hall.

Junior Ella McKenzie may be following in his punny footsteps. She said, "His puns are a-paul-ing, but what's tuze-new?"

"Mr. Tuzeneu is a talented and interesting man, but what strikes me most about him is how spontaneously funny he is. He's so incredibly quick to a joke, which is why his students and colleagues love him so much," history teacher Dr. Adam Wilsman said.

If you have not had Tuz, I hope you now have a better idea of the underappreciated former motorcyclist turned red minivan driver.

Dr. Schott: Our very own concert connoisseur

BY MURRAY HANNON
Staff Writer

A regular attendee of concerts

or Bonnaroo will often run into Dr. Gary Schott. The Harpeth Hall science teacher, known for his love of blueberries and hiking, can always be spotted camping out on the Bonnaroo farm.

"I'll be back this summer," Dr. Schott said of the festival. "It's always fun to go with my kids, who are 20 and 23 now. It's dirty and smelly, but we can handle that."

Dr. Schott would even say that the best concert he ever saw, Paul McCartney in 2013, was at Bonnaroo. But what does he listen to during the school year? "I'd have to say Phish is my favorite band."

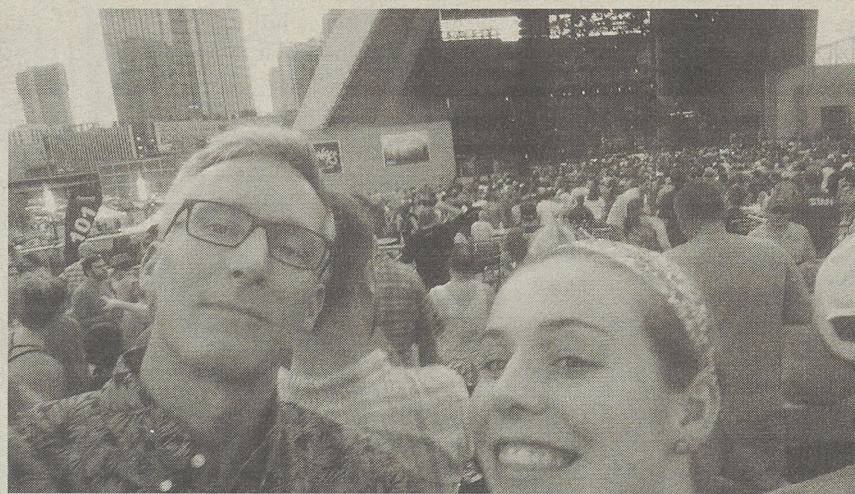
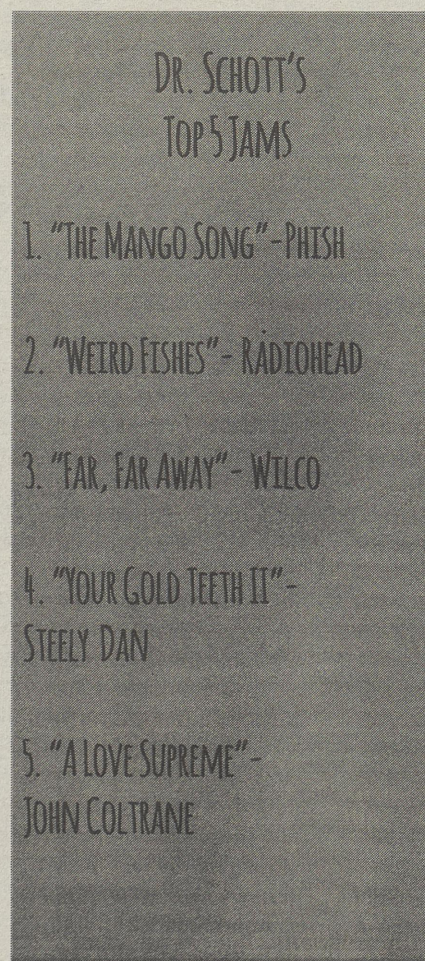
Schott plans on travelling to see Phish again this summer. He claims that it was his love of the Grateful Dead in college which led him to the similar cult band. In high school, Dr. Schott preferred heavy metal. A self-described "metal head," Schott admits that it wasn't until college that his music taste expanded to other genres.

His love of music has only grown since then, and he has attended at least seven concerts in the past year alone. Schott-sightings at music venues around town are not rare.

Most recently, he was spotted at the Moon Taxi concert. Ava Boney, class of 2017, recalls, "I was sitting right behind Dr. Schott at Moon Taxi and 3/4 of the way through the concert he got up and never came back so I had figured he left...when it came time for the last few songs I moved up to the front of the crowd and I look to my left and there

was Dr. Schott front row, in the middle of a mosh pit. I was impressed, and slightly jealous, of how much fun he looked like he was having."

Next time you're attending a concert, be sure to look around for Harpeth Hall's favorite music aficionado. Rock on, Dr. Schott.



MUSIC MAN: Schott takes a selfie with a student at a concert Photo courtesy of Dr. Schott



ROO THE DAY: Students in bikinis run into their former teacher Photo courtesy of Dr. Schott

So Long, Farewell, Adieu Beloved Faculty

BY BUSHRA RAHMAN AND STELLA VOJIC
Staff Writers

As the school year comes to a close, Harpeth Hall is saying a bittersweet goodbye to four of its beloved upper school faculty members. These remarkable women have been extremely special members of the Harpeth Hall community during their time here, and have definitely cemented their place in the hearts of many students and faculty members. They have made invaluable contributions to the enrichment of this school, and their work will never be forgotten.

While both Ms. Lund and Ms. Bowers have plans to walk down the aisle in white, Mrs. Paschall hopes to continue pursuing her passions and Mrs. Bernet is anticipating the good food that she will find in her new home, Philadelphia.

From teaching students how to master art techniques to walking them hand-in-hand through the infamous junior term paper, these four faculty members will truly be missed around Harpeth Hall.

Logos caught up with Kristin Bernet, librarian, Katy Bowers, history; Martha Lund, Spanish, and Rosie Paschall, art, to talk about their time at the Hall and their plans for the future.



FINAL GOODBYES: Mrs. Bernet, Mrs. Paschall, Ms. Lund and Ms. Bowers during their final days at Harpeth Hall. Photo courtesy of Mary Grace Kelley

Mrs. Paschall

What would we do without the incredible creativity and beauty that Mrs. Paschall has bestowed upon the art department? As a pioneering Harpeth Hall art teacher since 1988, Mrs. Rosie Paschall has made an enduring impact on generations of students.

Her influence on the school is evident in the annual spring art show, when Mrs. Paschall's AP art students showcase their awesome artwork, created under her outstanding guidance.

In her recent senior speech, senior and AP art student Georgia Slattery was full of love and praise for Ms. Paschall. She said, "It wasn't until Rosie Paschall came into my life that I realized my own potential. I never felt like I was of importance, and Rosie somehow managed to uncover the confidence I had been missing all these years."

Senior Gracie Pope said, "Mrs. Paschall has been my art teacher for three years. She truly cares about each and every student and works tirelessly to help everyone fulfill her potential."

"I will never forget when my art needed to be moved from its original spot for the AP show. Mrs. Paschall rematted all of my work for me, which is very time consuming. Mrs. Paschall has always gone above and beyond, and I don't know what kind of artist I would be without her guidance."

After only the first few days of her teaching career, which began in the 1970s, Ms. Paschall realized that she "just loved every minute of it. I love [my students]. I love the excitement of getting ready for things, I love watching them blossom."

Although Ms. Paschall is still organizing her plans for the future, she wants "to be able to continue doing what I love the most." Her personal artistic endeavors will hopefully include stationery and print designing.

We will never forget the magical gift of art that Ms. Paschall has shared with her students and the Harpeth Hall community.

Ms. Bowers

What would we do without Ms. Bowers's impeccable style and historical knowledge gracing the halls? "Ms. Bowers's love for history is contagious," sophomore Dhara Patel said.

Many of her students share a similar opinion, but also agree that Ms. Bowers' competitiveness and fun spirit is contagious as well, particularly during dodgeball tournaments.

In fact, two of the things that Ms. Bowers will miss most about Harpeth Hall are the student-teacher dodgeball tournaments as well as the fried chicken. When asked why, she responded,

"Both of these things highlight the community that Harpeth Hall has and the love amongst the different people. Faculty-student dodgeball has a similar place in my heart, because there aren't many other places when supposed sort of authority figures and students can line up, wholeheartedly engaged in a game of dodgeball. For me, that highlights the amount of respect that's on both sides of that student-teacher relationship at Harpeth Hall."

"Nevermind the fact that I'm older than her, I want to be Ms. Bowers when I grow up," history teacher Dr. Adam Wilsman said. "She is confident, bright, and totally invested in her students and Harpeth Hall."

Ms. Bowers will miss her students immensely next year, but is ready to embark on the next chapter of her life with a her soon-to-be husband. Apart from getting married this summer, Ms. Bowers will also be following her own advice to her students: to take risks.

Ms. Bowers said, "The opportunity to start a new adventure is really exciting." We wish Ms. Bowers all the best in her upcoming adventures.

Ms. Lund

What what we do without Ms. Lund's enthusiasm for the Spanish language and culture? "Sra. Lund is like a mom to her students. Every time someone get something right in class, she is so proud," sophomore Ciara Sohr said.

Many of Sra. Lund's Spanish students share this sentiment. Her love and expertise in the Spanish language has provided countless AP students and novice speakers with the tools they need for success.

"Sra. Lund has been one of my most influential teachers at Harpeth Hall," senior Keely Hendricks said.

As a Harpeth Hall teacher for ten years, Sra. Lund has been able to connect with girls both inside and outside of the classroom.

While reflecting on one of her Winterim trips to Spain, she shares a special memory: "My AP students and I were in a plaza in Alicante and it was my birthday. They surprised me and began singing to me in the plaza! They gave me a card and cake, and that memory really sticks."

Although Sra. Lund will miss her fellow faculty members and students dearly, she has some exciting plans for the future. When asked what she plans to do after retirement, Ms. Lund says, "I'm going to be travelling around the world. I've already planned three trips! I also dream of writing a children's book in both Spanish and English."

No matter what, she wants "to keep dancing. I love to dance!" This summer, Sra. Lund will be dancing down the aisle when she marries the love of her life in June. This wonderful event will hopefully bring her the utmost happiness as she embarks on a journey sure to be full of fun and excitement.

Mrs. Bernet

Where would we be without Mrs. Bernet's expertise on citations and vast knowledge of books in general? "Mrs. Bernet is amazing," sophomore Maya Misra said. "She can switch from giving teen fantasy recommendations to pulling out old volumes about the Paris Peace Conference in under a second. I'm really going to miss her."

"Mrs. Bernet helped me tremendously in my greatest time of need: the Junior Term Paper. She was very understanding, even though I had no idea how to do citations. It was a low point in my life, but she raised me up. Also, some of my favorite books have come from her recommendations," said Junior Claire Gould.

Mrs. Bernet is going to miss us too! "My advisories and getting to know the students has been one of my happiest memories," she said.

It's probably not hard to believe that our librarian is also a citation enthusiast! Mostly, she has enjoyed "seeing the confidence instilled in students. They start out as freshmen and say, 'Oh I hate citations, I don't understand them!' and then by the end of the year, they don't even need my help anymore because they know what they're doing."


As the school year comes to a close, Mrs. Bernet will be moving back to her hometown of Philadelphia, where she is pursuing a position as a college librarian. "I'm excited to be closer to the beach, and to New York and D.C., and eat lots of good food!" Mrs. Bernet's kindness and inexhaustible bibliographic knowledge will certainly be invaluable to students wherever she goes.

Safari Chicks Set Out

Where in the world are our seniors?


As the school year comes to a close, seniors have made their final decisions on where they will attend college in the fall. While some graduating Honeybears are traveling to locations as far as San Diego and Seattle, the majority will disperse to colleges and universities throughout the Southeast. With groups of students attending colleges such as University of Tennessee Knoxville, Auburn, University of Alabama and Texas Christian University, some members of the Class of 2016 will remain together far after the May 30th graduation. As the Safari Chicks set out, we know they will accomplish great things and make the Honeybear nation proud.




 *Seattle University*

 *University of San Francisco*



 *CU Boulder*

 *University of San Diego*



 *Trinity University*

 *Trinity University*

By: Keely Hendricks, Gracie Pope and Claire Gould
Editors-in-Chief

Out



Middlebury

University
of Vermont

Providence

University of
Michigan

Messiah

Villanova

Carnegie Mellon

Northwestern

DePaul

University of Chicago

Case Western

Kenyon

Indiana

University

University of
Kentucky

College of
William and Mary

Washington and Lee

Washington
University

Centre

Vanderbilt

Belmont

UNC Chapel

Hill

UNC Wilmington

Duke

Rhodes

UT Memphis

UT Chattanooga
Sewanee

Furman

College of
Charleston

Hendrix

Ole Miss

University of
Alabama

Auburn

University of
Georgia

SMU

TCU

Tulane

Trinity
University

University of
Miami

MBA: A City Upon a Hill?

A Day in the Life of a Gentleman, Scholar, Athlete

BY KEELY HENDRICKS AND ELEANOR SMITH
Editor-in-Chief and Features Editor

Walking through the MBA Quad on a brisk Monday morning as neither a cheerleader nor a football fan was a surreal experience. On one hand, Eleanor and I fit in: we had our backpacks on and appeared eager to learn, almost embarrassingly so. On the other hand, we may as well have been a pair of Yorkie puppies on the Serengeti. We got quite a few double-takes and prolonged stares, but most of the boys were just surprised and amused that we were their classmates for the day.

Our first stop of the day was Advisory. The boys have advisory every morning for fifteen minutes before classes begin. Unlike our advisory time, it's completely unstructured. The boys have time to relax, socialize, study, or shoot paper basketball (update: Will Eskew will not befriend Tanner Noonan on Snapchat until he makes a 3-pointer!)

When we arrived, Ms. Lechleiter, our advisor and first female friend on campus, gifted us with a bag of swag, which included a swanky flag and phone-stand. With our drawstring bags, candy for the road, and two handy sherpas (seniors Will Eskew and Rueben Dockery), we were ready to be gentlemen, scholars, and, should the occasion arise, athletes (spoiler alert: it did).

My first class was German with Eskew. I'm not kidding when I say that I did not understand a single word of this class. The boys were giving presentations about political parties in Germany, and students—including myself—were given a card that said Top on one side and Flop on the other. As you can imagine, I felt disqualified to tell anyone they did poorly, so I gave a lot of "Tops" that day, even when Bronson Bell used the German version of *The Onion* as a source without realizing it was satirical. Nonetheless, the entire presentations were given in German and required some hefty knowledge of the language and subject matter.

Despite my deaf and mute status, I really enjoyed the class because it was full of laughter, the universal language. We finished with a music video about the Neo-Nazi party called 'How Stupid You Are.' I could at least get the gist of that one!

After a free block, Eleanor had the privilege to witness the playful atmosphere of Coach Golenor's AP Calculus AB as the boys strolled into the classroom. The boys loved giving Coach Go a hard time, but he wasn't afraid to throw it right back at them. Unfortunately, she was unable to observe for long because they had to take a practice exam. Meanwhile, I was kicking back and watching Shakespeare's 'The Winter's Tale' for a senior English class.

The next part of our saga was the highly anticipated Monday assembly. After a few announcements, Will Eskew, President of the Honor Council, gave an inspiring speech about staying honorable through the end of the year. Next, four candidates for Student Body President

(Brett Starr, Tom Peters, Frist Allen, and Thomas Daniels) gave speeches to win over the hearts and votes of their classmates.

This was unlike anything we had ever witnessed. The boys, dressed in their suits and ties, weren't afraid to make digs on fellow classmates and stray from their scripts.

Their platforms included making an MBA geotag for Snapchat, creating a Green Zone for phones in the cafeteria and offering more off-campus lunches for Juniors. One candidate even made the ambitious promise of giving the "microbes" off-campus lunch privileges, albeit logistically impossible. It took me a minute to figure out that he wasn't referencing molecular biology, but rather, the

and at least three more flavors. It was like an amazing cornucopia of salad, fruit, pasta and chicken, yogurt, ice cream, and pineapple upside down cake, the Whole Foods of private school cafeterias.

In the Hogwarts-like interior, there's a giant flat screen above a fireplace playing ESPN. Outside, the seniors sit, reveling in the sunshine and their seniority. Tragically for the seventh graders, they have PE on the track during the seniors' lunch period; a perfect spectator opportunity. We casually observed them as they labored through the mile run in the dead heat of noon. Besides observing their athleticism, we talked about classes, sports, i.e. the typical high school chatter.

After our lavish banquet, we descended down into the dungeon of the dining hall to attempt playing a game of pool. The boys dominated the game, but Eleanor was able to make the winning shot, i.e. her only shot, for her team. After pool, we tried to redeem ourselves through table tennis. Will and Eleanor took the cake on that game, leaving me and Rueben questioning our athletic talents.

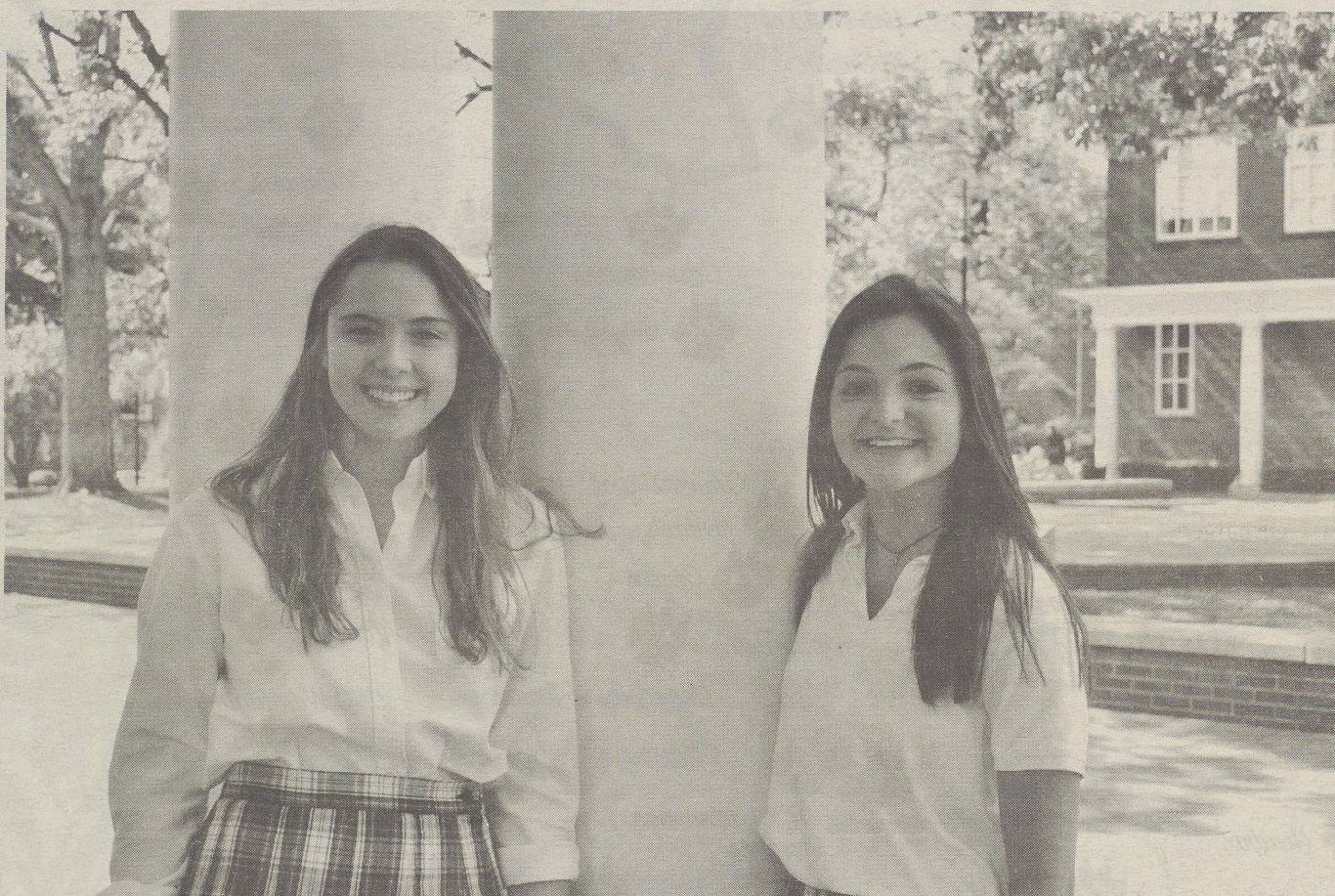
After gametime, we went to the senior lounge for a free block, where Rueben and Will helped us with our homework like true #gentlemen and #scholars. We also snuck into the special senior room and took a photo, despite the glares. It's not quite the Senior House, but we did not find any sandwiches stuck between the couch seats either, so you decide which is better.

Our final class

together was jazz band. Mr. Rundberg had a contagious smile and energy the entire time, and we danced to the music as they played September, Forget You and Jazz Police. Rueben blew our socks off with a sick saxophone solo. Speaking of socks, shoutout to Devon Rundberg for having the flashiest ones of all time (Llamas? Outer Space? We don't remember the details, but we appreciate your style.)

Finally, Eleanor and I diverged for our respective science classes. Eleanor went to AP Physics C, where she "sat in confusion." Likewise, I was in Anatomy, which was actually more confusing than German class. We observed a fifteen minute heart surgery on the big screen, and I'm proud to say that I showed no signs of weakness or faintness.

After our day on the Hill, we made some sweeping observations. The advantages of having seven classes is that the school day goes by so quickly; you're always on the move. However, the boys have been right all along—their workloads are formidable challenges, since they have homework for every class. Nonetheless, they have more time built into their day to decompress, which we could really benefit from here at Harpeth Hall. Overall, the atmosphere is very "work hard, play hard." The boys are always joshing and laughing, and yet they know how to grind when the going gets tough. They are given huge academic challenges in their classrooms, but they rise to the challenge with humor and brotherly camaraderie. It is, in its own special way, a city upon a Hill.



IS THAT A GIRL?: Keely and Eleanor posing in front of columns in the MBA courtyard, trying hard to blend in. Photo courtesy of Eleanor Smith

middle schoolers.

The audience was boisterous—they hissed when they didn't approve of something, and they clapped and rolled in their seats with laughter when they did. In comparison, our assembly applause is more like a polite golf clap. It was one of the most rowdy, fun and entertaining assemblies we've ever seen.

After our assembly, we continued our scholarly pursuits. I sat in on AP Calculus BC and admired Dani Biegl's prowess with the graphing calculator while they reviewed for the exam. Meanwhile, Eleanor left Rueben and embarked on a solo journey down the hall to Dr. Kinch's Film to Fiction English class. Soaking in the laidback classroom dynamic, Eleanor watched the boys an open book quiz while Dr. Kinch played movie trailers. She was impressed to see how well Gray Adelman among others could multi-task while taking a quiz.

Next, we headed over together to Econ. The boys were researching big bank issues for an upcoming debate. Unlike our Current Issues debates, they compete with presentations, rather than with immediate crossfire. Unfortunately, we didn't get to see a debate, but we can only imagine the fervor and passion that would ensue.

Then, lunchtime arrived. The stuff of legend would finally be ours to experience first-hand, like Joseph Conrad breaching the heart of darkness. However, despite our initial jitters, we were pleasantly surprised. The HH cafeteria is actually more jungle-like than that of MBA. There was an endless supply of variety pizzas: taco, BBQ, flatbread,

A Foodie's Paradise: Nashville noms

BY CARRIE HAYNES

Staff Writer

As Nashville turns the corner toward warmer weather, the prospect of summer becomes a rousing reality rather than a distant dream. For Harpeth Hall girls, the months of June and July are filled with travel, friends and food. Nashville's restaurant scene has been increasingly expanding, so here are some fresh spots to try out this summer.

In order to start a day in Nashville properly, check out some of the towns' hottest places to grab breakfast. In the Gulch, Biscuit Love makes for the perfect brunch spot (but watch out for the long lines). Biscuit Love, similar to the Loveless Cafe, is the Shangri-la of Southern food but without the mobs of tourists. Proper Bagel, a new breakfast joint in Belmont, is much more impressive than the standard Bruegger's Bagels.

Last but not least on the breakfast list is Five Daughters Bakery. Another spot made for Instagram, the bakery on 12 South has doughnuts that rival those of Donut Den. Also on 12 South, Taqueria

del Sol is most teens' taco treasure chest; however, the slightly newer East Coast Mexican restaurant, Bartaco, is worth a try.

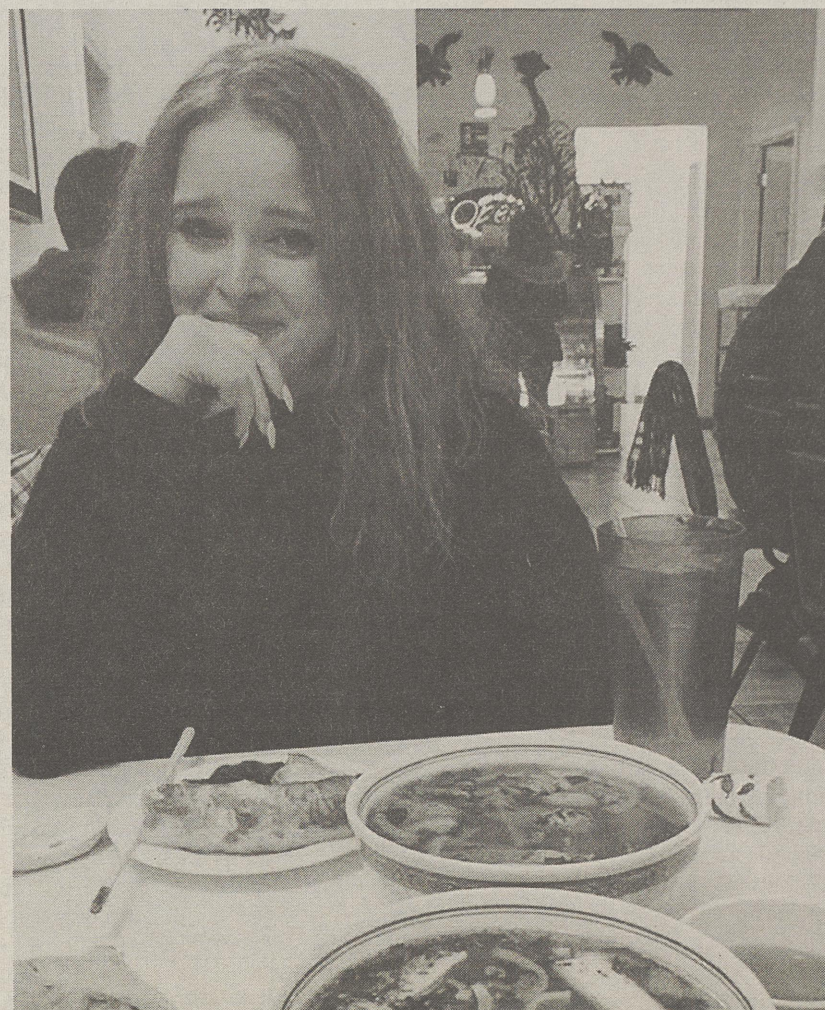
After sampling Bartaco's assortment of tapas-style tacos, head on over to baked-goods heaven, Sprinkles Cupcakes. While Jeni's Ice Cream is always a good option, Sprinkles' decadent cupcakes are reportedly irresistible. Not only are the cupcakes praised, but the Instagram-worthy Cupcake ATM is the icing on the cake.

Also in the area is the Smiling Elephant, which features a Thai menu along with quaint décor situated in a tiny cottage on 8th Avenue South – great for the explorative eater. Another option for adventure is just off of Charlotte Pike. The Vietnamese restaurant, Kien Giang, makes up in flavor what it lacks in décor. For the vegan and gluten free audience, Sunflower Café in Berry Hill offers a wide range of options everything from tacos and lasagna to their famous veggie burgers.

Along with the wide variety of cultural cuisine found in Nashville, the city offers plenty of American classics.

A Music City summer would not be complete without at least one trip to Bobbie's Dairy Dip. Situated directly off the greenway, Bobbie's is the cherry on top of any Nashville night. For a delicious yet simple meal, The Pharmacy's patio is the perfect destination to grab a burger and milkshake. Another Music City must is obviously the infamous Nashville hot chicken. If you have not tried the city's signature dish, now is the time – even KFC caught on. While Hattie B's is the seemingly obvious choice, when hunting for authentic hot chicken, be sure to stop by Prince's on Charlotte Avenue.

As Nashville continues to grow, the city's cuisine becomes more and more diverse. From Vietnamese pho to good old burgers and fries, Nashville has it all. Get out and explore the town this summer and discover the amazing food Music City has to offer.



PHO SURE: Junior Augusta Bowhay enjoys a meal at Kien Giang. Photo courtesy: Vivian Herzog

Artists give back in Rally Rumble

BY AVA BONEY

A&E Editor



GET READY TO RUMBLE: Young musicians rally together to defeat childhood cancer. Photo courtesy of Ava Boney.

Every year, nearly 15,700 children are diagnosed with cancer. Although it kills more children than all other childhood diseases combined, only 4 percent of government cancer funding is put toward childhood cancer. One Nashville-area concert, Rally Rumble and Rhinestones, is trying to change that.

The Rally Foundation for Childhood Cancer Research is an Atlanta-based nonprofit whose mission is to encourage people across the nation to raise awareness and funds for childhood cancer research. Currently, Rally funds 120

projects and fellows that strive to further childhood cancer research. Since their start in 2005, The Rally Foundation has given over \$7 million in research grants.

The Rally Foundation has a branch in Nashville, directed by Elaine Kay. Elaine got involved with Rally after fighting childhood cancer on the frontlines with her son, James. At 11 years old, James was diagnosed with Ewing's Sarcoma originating in the kidney, being the 27th person in history to receive such a diagnosis.

"Watching our son suffer through

horrible pain and grueling treatments was, by far, the toughest thing our family has had to endure," Kay said. "We became grateful whenever we had a bit of good news in that bad-news world. Looking back now, of course we wish that James had not ever been diagnosed with cancer, but we are definitely more grateful for every 'normal' day we have with our family and friends." As director of Rally Nashville, Kay is in charge of organizing Rally on the Runway Nashville, and the upcoming fifth anniversary of Rally Rumble and Rhinestones.

Rally Rumble and Rhinestones is a concert in which

young musicians raise money and awareness for childhood cancer research. Leading up to the event, bands and songwriters will compete to see who can raise the most money for Childhood Cancer Research. The 13 bands and 10 songwriters who raise the most money will be awarded with performance slots.

In previous years, students from Harpeth Hall have been involved in Rally Rumble and are competing for spots this year as well. In 2014, junior Emmie Wade performed as a songwriter in the concert, and last year, junior Ava

Boney performed in the event with two MBA students as a band. This year, Rally Rumble and Rhinestones will be celebrating its fifth birthday. For this special anniversary, the masterminds behind the concert have made a few changes to the event. While formerly known as simply Rally Rumble, the name has been changed to match the upscaling of the event.

Along with the name, the venue and general format of Rally Rumble and Rhinestones has changed as well. Instead of being held at Rocketown, as it was in years before, Rally Rumble and Rhinestones will be making the move to The Rosewall.

This year's concert will include two events: one afternoon and one evening. From 12-5 p.m., there will be performances by twelve bands and 4 songwriters along with a guest appearance by Sean Fuller, drummer from Florida Georgia Line. The afternoon event is the perfect opportunity for people of all ages to kick back and listen to some great young musicians perform for an even greater cause.

Admission to the afternoon event is free; however, donations are encouraged. From 6-10 p.m., the "rhinestones" part of Rally Rumble and Rhinestones kicks in.

The evening will commence with a performance by the top fundraising band. Following the opener, the top six fundraising songwriters will join award-winning songwriters, Jim Collins, Gordon Kennedy and Rivers Rutherford, who doubles as a parent of a Harpeth Hall alum.

The evening show will be hosted by WSMV anchor Tracy Kornet and Rally kid Jessica Myers. The second half of Rally Rumble and Rhinestones will be a great chance to hear the stories behind well-known songs, and discover new talent from across the country.

For the evening performances, general admission tickets to the evening show are \$35, VIP tickets are \$100, and patron tickets are \$150. Of the funds raised, 94 percent will be put toward Childhood Cancer Research. Within the last four years, Rally Rumble and Rhinestones alone has raised over \$140,000 for Childhood Cancer Research.

With so many diagnoses each year, it is clear that childhood cancer is a problem that could affect anyone. Be sure to go pay a visit to The Rosewall on June 5th to support an important cause, and if for some reason you can't make it, visit www.rallyfoundation.org to see other ways you can help.

Snapperazzi

BY SUMMER KAPANKA

Staff Writer

With over 100 million active users, Snapchat is the new frontier for celebrities. But what does this mean for the average Snapchat user? Most Honeybears enjoy being able to see into the lives of the stars, without twists of the tabloids. Their lavish lives often include juice cleanses, expensive plane rides, and V.I.P. parties. Pop-Culture icons such as Kylie Jenner (@Kylizzle-MyNizzl), DJ Khaled (@djkhale305), Gigi Hadid (@itsGigi-Hadid), and fellow Honeybear Reese Witherspoon (@Snaps-ByReese) flood the phones of not only the girls of Harpeth Hall but those of girls across the globe. With over 75 celebrities currently using the social media platform, it seems that these red-carpet-regulars are becoming Snapchat-essentials. In February 2016, Kylie Jenner reportedly reached 10 million Snapchat followers, and since, the numbers have continued to



SNAP ALL ABOUT IT: Celebrities (left to right) Zendaya (@zendaya_96), DJ Khaled (@djkhale305), Selena Gomez (@selenagomez), & Ariana Grande (@Ariana-Grande) have all joined in on the snapchat frenzy. Photo Courtesy: Ava Boney

increase; and while the plurality of the Harpeth Hall student body loves the way celebs are snapping, many believe that celebrities, such as Kylie Jenner, post excessively or have stories that are "almost always self-absorbed with ridiculous amounts of narcissistic selfies." Others follow celebrities simply to giggle at their vanity: "I don't

like Kylie Jenner. I just follow her so I can get angry about her opulent and annoying lifestyle." This may be true about celebrity lifestyle, but it surely does not concern the over 10 million people following the eighteen-year-old millionaire. While certain stars use their riches to reel in the crowds, American DJ, record producer,

and record label executive, DJ Khaled's key to Snapchat success is simple: use the right soap (Dove and only Dove), always get a fresh cut, and give thanks no matter what. Just tapping through DJ Khaled's stories, following him on his 'journey to more success' is bound to bring a smile to someone's face.

Though the Honeybears' views concerning celebrities use of Snapchat differ greatly, it is common knowledge that the snapping stars are likely to stick around. Snapchat can be used as a fun way to connect with friends, but now that stars have infiltrated the app, there is no turning back. Ten second videos of lavish luxuries, #relationshipgoals, and most importantly, keys to success, will continue to become the norm for the everyday Snapchat user. Always remember, in the words of the great DJ Khaled, "Bless up" and keep snapping!

Student tweets

BY LIZZY ASAD & AVA BONEY

A&E Editors



Corinne Gibson
@coriin_thehouse



Following

A middle schooler just opened a door for me and said "thank you"



Mary Caroline Hayles
@mchayles19



Following

blesd 4 a mom who told me she was still proud of me when I got a 62 on my history test & gave me a hug when told her I lost her credit card



Ty Chandler
@Channdler_35



Following

List of my top schools coming soon ..



Genevieve
@Genevieshy98



Following

Ty where is this list ..

SENIOR SONGS

BY LIZZY ASAD & AVA BONEY

A&E Editors

Mary Britton Anderson: "Gone, Gone, Gone" - Phillip Phillips
Catherine Baker: "Stronger" - Kanye West
Kristen Barrett: "We Are The Champions" - Queen
Caroline Bennett: "Do It Again" - Pia Mia
Michelle Biesman: "Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)" - Green Day
Grace Bradley: "Can't Feel My Face" - The Weeknd
Carrie Brake: "Bohemian Rhapsody" - Queen
Kathryn Brown: "Waiting Around For Grace" - Pond
Caroline Buffkin: "Everyday" - The Cast of *High School Musical 2*
Mimi Bulow: "Bittersweet Symphony" - The Verve
Jordan Burkart: "Jordan Belfort" - Wes Walker (feat Dyl)
Olivia Caldwell: "All American Girl" - Carrie Underwood
Kate Capizzi: "Alright" - Kendrick Lamar
Jenni Chung: "YOUTH" - Troye Sivan
Taylor Cobb: "Defying Gravity" - Idina Menzel
Katherine Coode: "Long Live" - Taylor Swift
Caroline Davis: "Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)" - Green Day
Ashlyn Dentz: "Take On Me" - a-ha
Dasha Didier: "Hakuna Matata" - The Lion King
Olivia Dobbs: "Livin' On A Prayer" - Bon Jovi
Laura Draughn: "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" - Cyndi Lauper
Margot Dupuis: "We're All In This Together" The Cast of *High School Musical*
Ellie Fitzpatrick: "Hakuna Matata" - The Lion King
Bailey Flynn: "My Wish" - Rascal Flatts
Sanjaly Geevarghese: "River Flows In You" - Yiruma
Corinne Gibson: "My House" - Flo Rida
Isabella Grande: "All American Girl" - Carrie Underwood
Taylor Hardin: "High Dive" - Andrew McMahon In The Wilderness
Laura Catherine Harrell: "Now Or Never" - The Cast of *High School Musical 3*
Caitlin Hatcher: "Better Together" - Jack Johnson
Carly Henderson: "Nothing To Prove" - Allen Stone
Keely Hendricks: "Every Time We Touch" - Cascada
Alexandra Hulme: "Long Live" - Taylor Swift
Hannah Huth: "Teenage Wasteland" - Pete Townshend
Sellers Huy: "All American Girl" - Carrie Underwood
Delaney Jacoway: "Scream" - Zac Efron
Madeline Jenkins: "Thnks fr th mmrs" - Fall Out Boy
Laurel Jobe: "Good Life" - One Republic
Lee Lee Johnson: "You Raise Me Up" - Josh Groban
Mary Grace Kelley: "Don't Blink" - Kenny Chesney
Caroline Kohl: "The Long Way Round" - Dixie Chicks
Griffin Link: "Bye Bye Bye" - *NSYNC
Melissa Markham: "Everyday" - The Cast of *High School Musical 2*
Lucy Massey: "Where Do I Go From Here" - Pocahontas II
Bailey McCarthy: "Roses" - The Chainsmokers
Grace McCaskill: "Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)" - Green Day
Lauryn McSpadden: "New Constellations" - Ryn Weaver
Rachel Miller: "24 Frames" - Jason Isbell
Tess Myers: "Dream Catcher" - Set It Off
Ally Nawrocki: "What Are We Doing" - Kat Saul
Katie Nicholson: "Started From The Bottom" - Drake
Madi Nunn: "Roses" - The Chainsmokers
Isabel Nygard: "Tragedy + Time" - Rise Against
Analise Obremsky: "Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)" - Green Day
Lillie Penley: "Lost In My Mind" - The Head And The Heart
Sarah Perlin: "Dazed and Confused" - Led Zeppelin
Gracie Pope: "Shake It Off" - Taylor Swift
Raleigh Potts: "Butterfly Fly Away" - Miley Cyrus
Phoebe Powers: "Fireflies" - Owl City
Anne Rajbundit: "Golden" - Farewell Fighter
Mary Winston Reames: "Lost Stars" - Adam Levine
Emma Roke: "Hard" - Rihanna (feat. Jeezy)
Katherine Saul: "Never Alone" - Lady Antebellum
Alex Scott: "Lost In The Night" - Palace
Caroline Scudder: "Don't Stop Believin'" - Journey
Caroline Seeley: "We're All In This Together" - The Cast of *High School Musical*
Kelly Short: "In My Life" - The Beatles
Callie Jane Simmons: "Hold On" - The Jonas Brothers
Abby Skinner: "I Am A Man Of Constant Sorrow" - The Soggy Bottom Boys
Alex Slaton: "The Story of Tonight" - We The Kings
Georgia Slattery: "Road To Nowhere" - The Talking Heads
Eleanor Smith: "Trojans" - Atlas Genius
Lucy Smith: "Every Time We Touch" - Cascada
Abbey Snow: "I'm Just A Kid" - Simple Plan
Abby Sparrow: "Stronger (What Doesn't Kill You)" - Kelly Clarkson
Leslie Stark: "What Dreams are Made of" - Hilary Duff
Sara Swords: "Long Live" - Taylor Swift
Whitley Taylor: "All American Girl" - Carrie Underwood
Claire Temple: "Just Wanna Be With You" - The Cast of *High School Musical 3*
Elizabeth Tirrill: "Stressed Out" - Twenty One Pilots
Eliza Trost: "Stressed Out" - Twenty One Pilots
Graham Vandiver: "Butterfly Fly Away" - Miley Cyrus
Anna Warner: "Stressed Out" - Twenty One Pilots
Emily Warren: "The Final Countdown" - Europe
Annie Weaver: "Shine Like Lightning" - Drew Holcomb and The Neighbors
Helen Weaver: "Survivor" - Destiny's Child
Sydney Webber: "Rockstar" - Nickelback
Olivia Wilson: "The Sweet Escape" - Gwen Stefani

Cara: from catwalk to cinema

BY OLIVIA STAVELY
Staff Writer

From paper pages to Paper Towns, the edgy, model-turned-actress Cara Delevingne is making an impression on both the fashion and entertainment industries.

Since signing with Storm Model Management in 2009, Delevingne has been an incredibly successful model, posing for designers such as Versace, Stella McCartney, Chanel, and Victoria's Secret, as well as gracing the cover of Vogue Magazine and being named 2015 Model Of The Year at the British Fashion Awards.

However, even after all of her success, Delevingne decided to leave fashion industry behind.

Her given reasons included the self-esteem issues and stress caused by her modeling.

She has even said that the stress from modeling triggered her psoriasis. In an interview with UK publication The Times, Delevingne said, "I am not doing fashion work anymore, after having, like, psoriasis and all that stuff. Modeling just made me feel



MORE THAN HER EYEBROWS: Cara Delevingne makes a name for herself in the film industry. Photo courtesy: Warner Bros

a bit hollow after a while. It didn't make me grow at all as a human being. And I kind of forgot how young I was ... I felt so old."

Delevingne makes it evident that years of modeling can not only take a toll on the body but also the mind.

But the stress from the job was not the only reason she decided step off the catwalk. Delevingne had one final

explanation for the abrupt end to her modeling career: she wanted to focus on her blossoming acting career.

Around March 2015, at the time she left her fashion career behind, she had already completed movies "Anna Karenina" and "The Face of An Angel" and was in the process of filming "Pan" and "Paper Towns."

She gained popularity from her role of Princess

Sorokina in the movie "Anna Karenina," but the real beginning of her Hollywood success came with John Green's "Paper Towns," released in summer of 2015. In Paper Towns, she played a flighty high school senior named Margo Roth Spiegelman.

The movie was a massive hit and grossed 85.5 million dollars.

All of its attention

brought Delevingne's acting skills into the public spotlight.

Movie critics and the movie-going public alike certainly had mixed reviews about her acting, and the trend holds true with Harpeth Hall students.

In an anonymous survey, 63 percent of upper school students have seen a movie with Cara Delevingne cast, and 56 percent have seen Paper Towns.

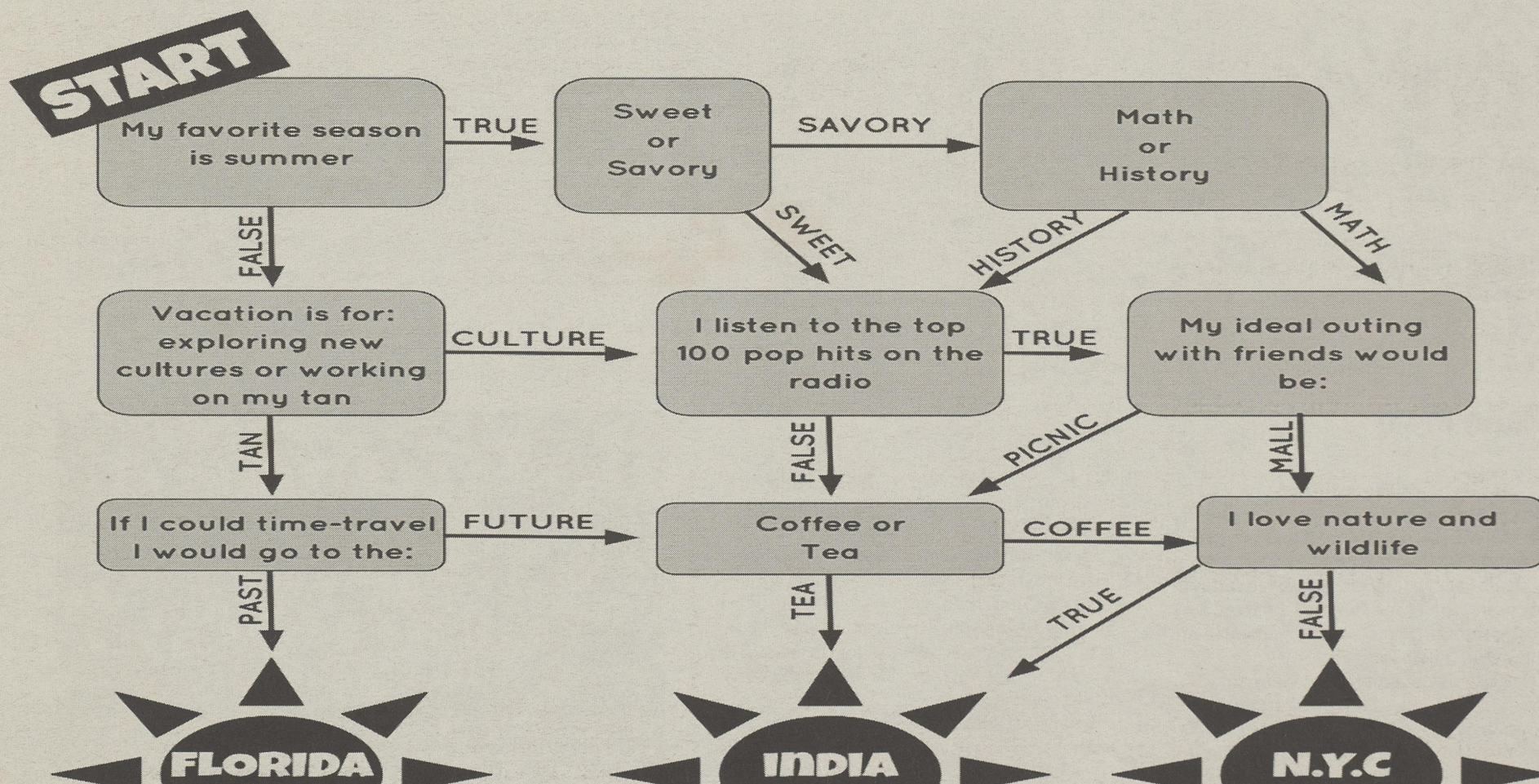
When asked for thoughts on Delevingne's new acting career, responses ranged from an enthusiastic "I love her!" to a more negative, "I don't like her at all."

Another anonymous student stated, "I love that she is branching out and doing what she wants. She is really talented and I am happy that she does not feel like she can only be a model."

Opinions of Cara Delevingne's acting skills may have been mixed, but like her or not, she will nevertheless be a familiar face at theaters near you.

Where should you vacation this summer?

BY AVA BONEY
A&E Editor



College-bound athletes look to the future

Six honeybears set to play college sports share their anticipation and excitement for the years to come

BY MILLIE KIRKLAND
Staff Writer

The majority of people have tried a sport at some point in their life. However, the length of these sports careers vary dramatically. Some may end right after preschool, others after middle school, even more after high school and then there are the few that continue through college. Six determined, talented

Harpeth Hall athletes, have found a passion in their sport. In the Class of 2016, Michelle Biesman, Jordan Burkart, Bailey Flynn, Mary Winston Reames and Sydney Webber will continue on to pursue their athletic career in college.

Mary Winston Reames

Mary Winston Reames will be running track at Southern Methodist University. Mary Winston's track career began at Harding Academy in the 6th grade. Although college track may be a little different than 6th grade track, the passion that started early has carried her through her many years of running.

"I have always loved track," Reames said. "It is a major part of my life, so I really did not want to give that up."

During her junior year, Mary Winston began to show interest in running in college. This interest was further piqued when she talked to coaches. While her decision to attend SMU was not based on their track program, once she discovered that she could run there, her decision to attend was an easy one.

"I am very excited to meet the girls on my team because I think I will meet people I wouldn't normally meet if I didn't run track. I am also excited to be able to continue my track career at a higher level, D1." As excited as she is about this, she is slightly worried about balancing track with friends,



JUMPING INTO THE FUTURE: Mary Winston looks forward to continuing to participate in long jump in college.
Photo courtesy of HH Photo Library

Jordan Burkart



AIR JORDAN: Jordan Burkart pole vaults in a track and field meet. Photo courtesy of Smugmug HH Photo Library

Jordan Burkart started pole vault in 8th grade. After Jordan won 2nd place in the state tournament last year for pole vault, she chose to pole vault at the Naval Academy next year.

In addition to pole vault, she competes in other events in track as well. However, out of all the events she participates in, her favorite is pole vault. She says, "I am excited about honing in on pole vault. I am excited for more competition, more rigor and spending more time pole vaulting."

What Jordan loves most about pole vault is the way it makes her feel in the air. She describes it as, "sort of addicting."

She has also been playing other sports all through her life. It has become a part of her identity, and she does not know what she would do if she was not constantly involved in some type of athletic activity.

The coach, the other pole vaulters and the track facilities are the aspects she loves about Navy. She says, "I feel like the coach will push me to get better. I feel like I will definitely get better there."

Bailey Flynn

Bailey Flynn will be swimming for TCU. Swimming has been a part of Bailey's life for the past 12 years. It is in her best races, the 200 butterfly and 500 freestyle, that her talent is most evident. Bailey's interest in college swimming has been a long time coming. "I have always loved swimming, and I couldn't imagine my life without it," Flynn said.

She also has an older sister, Morgan, who swam in college, and her passion rubbed off. Because of this passion, Flynn opted to focus a lot of her college decision around swimming, although still paying attention to other parts of

the school. Bailey visited TCU during a recruiting trip. Once there, she felt instantly welcomed and she said, "the team felt like a family to me." The team is what she is most excited about as far as college swimming.

Despite this excitement, she does still have some nerves. She is expected to put in a lot of hard work and training into swimming, but she also has schoolwork. Trying to balance the two is difficult, so she is thankful for the help of the TCU academic advisers that are provided for student-athletes.

Bailey is thrilled to be Horned Frog and we cannot see all that she accomplishes in college.

Sydney Webber

Sydney Webber was recruited to play soccer at Carnegie Mellon, and she will continue her athletic career there in the fall. When asked about attending Carnegie Mellon, the senior said, "If the coach hadn't reached out to me at a college showcase, I probably would have never considered applying to CMU." Because of the recruiting process, Sydney was able to find the school that is a great fit for her! Sydney's love of soccer has stayed strong since she started playing when she was 5. Sydney even participated in a soccer tournament in Spain the summer before her sophomore year of high school.

"I never really thought I would ever



FANCY FOOTWORK: Sydney Webber passes her opponent.
Photo courtesy of HH Photo Library

stop playing soccer, so I always just assumed I would be playing in college," Webber said.

The environment of Carnegie Mellon was appealing to Sydney. She really liked the coaches and players that she will be joining next year. When asked about why she is excited for playing, Sydney responded, "I'm really excited that I'll be able to be part of a new team for the next four years and continue to play soccer."

Michelle Biesman

Biesman will be pole vaulting at the University of Chicago. Michelle started her sport a little later than most, in the 8th grade, but she quickly began to love and excel in it.

Biesman's desire to pole vault in college originated from "the glee and feeling after getting a nice jump and bend in the pole." This joyous feeling is accompanied by finding "validity of the statement 'practice makes perfect.' Even though a perfect jump never happens, you can see and feel yourself get better the more you practice."

The combination of these passions and more drives Biesman's decision to continue into college. She started to consider college sports her junior year, but she could not compete the majority of the season due to an injury. Missing this much time only solidified her passion, so she decided to begin the recruiting process.

The University of Chicago seemed to be the right choice for her. The combination of academics with athletics was particularly appealing to her.

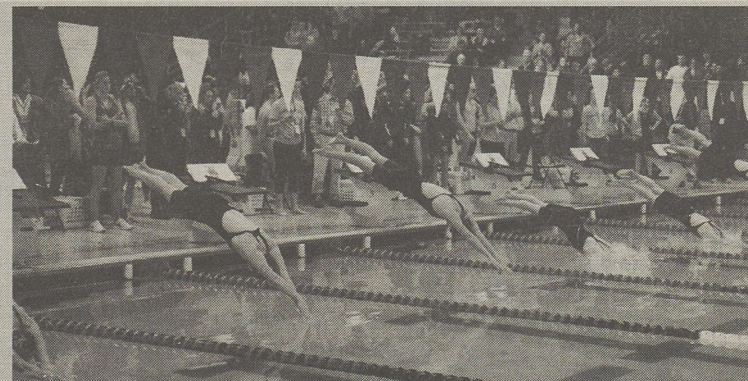
Also, she really felt a connection to the program, team and coaches. Michelle's love for UChicago was not

propelled solely by pole vault, but it did pique her interest in the school.

Through her years, she has also learned the value of staying calm. "I try not to think about things that could go wrong with pole vault because the more I think about it, the less I jump." That being said, she is not too worried about the near future!



GAME FACE: Biesman prepares for her jump.
Photo courtesy of HH Photo Library



DIVE IN: Bailey Flynn represents her school in the state meet.
Photo courtesy of HH Photo Library

Adventures and athletics this summer

BY MADDIE FORBES
Staff Writer

With summer just around the corner, many Harpeth Hall students have started packing their summers with trips, adventures, and sports. These activities range from travel soccer to kayaking rivers to climbing mountains and exploring far-off places.

While many athletes continue their sport throughout summer break, others choose to branch out of their comfort zones and take part in organization-sponsored trips, including programs such as Moondance Adventures and Overland. These excursions typically last several weeks with a group of strangers from different parts of the country.

Moondance Adventures, one of the most popular options at Harpeth Hall, provides trips on a national and international level, from the Hawaiian Islands to Thailand, and emphasizes leadership and service. After asking junior Emily Myers, one of two Harpeth Hall students on this year's upcoming Moondance Yosemite Trip, what she was most looking forward to, she replied, "I am thrilled to climb Mount Shasta and go white water rafting on the American River; I am honestly excited to see the park in general." Emily's leadership trip focuses on backpacking through Yosemite National Park, climbing the fifth highest mountain in California, and surfing the Pacific Ocean.

Another featured trip through Moondance is a three week service project to the Hawaiian Islands. According to junior Davis Stevens, the highlight of her trip will be "reaching out to the community and becoming scuba certified." With activities ranging from night snorkeling to community service work, it is no wonder trips such as these have become a typical summer pastime for many Harpeth Hall students.

While trips such as Moondance are becoming increasingly popular, athletes at the Hall still spend the majority of their summers in the gym or on the field. As sports



SUMMER SAILS: Taylor Farrington sails a monohull while participating in ActionQuest, a summer adventure program.

Photo courtesy of Taylor Farrington

continue to demand more and more time of high schoolers, those who wish to stand out or compete collegiately in her sport must put in extra hours during summer break to participate in club or travel sports.

Many travel teams end right before the high school season begins, one example being travel soccer. As described by junior Anna Clarke Harrison, "travel soccer extends into the month of June, but many teams play select tournaments throughout the rest of the summer. This

form of soccer is a way to continue doing something I love on an elevated level." Essentially, her soccer season, similar to numerous Honeybears, is never ending as travel seasons merge with high school seasons to encompass the entire summer for serious athletes.

With so many options, it is no wonder Harpeth Hall students have no trouble filling up their summers with adventure and athletics.

End of an era: Bears say goodbye to their sports

BY SAFFEE CROKER
Backpage Editor

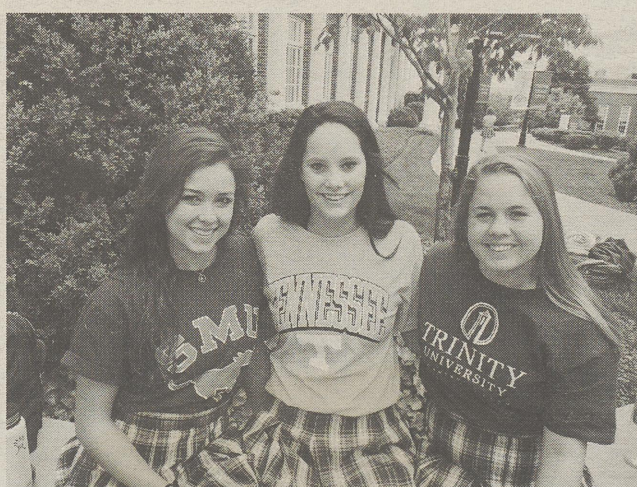
After almost a decade, seniors Carrie Brake, Raleigh Potts, and Shelby Nutter are retiring from their sports. They have decided to pursue other interests in college, but their time as athletes have influenced who they are today. The girls reflect back on what lessons they learned throughout their athletic career and why they chose to retire before college.

Carrie Brake began her career in softball when she was five. Like most young girls, Brake played in a Rec League, and her father helped coach her team. She comments, "Since my dad helped coach, the sport pretty much consumed my family's life."

Brake spent the majority of her childhood surrounded by her teammates and their families. During her seasons, Brake met some "crazy characters," and her team became her family. Brake and her teammates shared a special bond and when reflecting back, Brake said, "I can't imagine growing up without such a big support system from all the people I played with over the years."

Throughout her years as pitcher, Brake has learned a lot. Brake said, "In softball, the pitcher is forced to be a leader on the field by example. This is especially true in tough games. As the pitcher, I have to keep my head up through all situations. Even when it'd be easier to just give up, I know that my teammates are looking to me. Learning how to master these situations has helped me a lot in my everyday life and taught me that there's no challenge I can't face."

Brake knew that she did not want to continue to play softball in college by her freshman year of high school. She had known even before her freshman year that she did not want to waste time and money traveling for softball. With her parents support, Brake continued to play for Harpeth Hall's softball team. With the sport consuming much of Brake's life, she knows it will be strange to live without it. Brake said, "Softball has been such a huge part of my identity for my entire life, and it'll definitely be strange (in the best way) for people to not know me as the softball girl."



THIS IS THE END: Nutter, Potts, and Brake prepare for their new adventures in college. Photo courtesy of Carrie Brake

Nevertheless, Brake is excited about finding a new identity in college.

Like Brake, Potts is retiring after playing basketball for many years. Potts started travel basketball in sixth grade, and some of her favorite memories have been from playing travel basketball.

With her travel team, Potts has won two national championships. Potts reminisced, saying, "In my national championship game we were down sixteen points at the half and we ended up winning by four, it was a crazy comeback. I loved the feeling of winning not just because it was such a big game, but it was something that I had worked really hard for and to see that work pay off was amazing."

One of Pott's highlights from her career is being on a team and sharing a sense of community with her teammates. She said, "It was cool to be a part of something and have a community that you knew had your back. My Harpeth Hall basketball experience was nothing short of amazing just because of the relationships I made. I got to

mix with girls in different grades and bond with girls that I wouldn't have known without the sport." Throughout her time playing basketball, Potts has learned that hard work pays off. She has learned how to respond when games are not going her way and how to be an effective leader.

Potts decided to stop playing basketball the summer after her junior year. After talking to her sister, a basketball player at Lipscomb, she knew she was finished with basketball. Potts said, "I want to focus on what I want to be when I get older and try new things in college instead of just having all my time being taken up by one sport." Potts knows that it will be strange to live without playing basketball, but she has decided to focus on her career.

Similarly, Shelby Nutter is also retiring from basketball. Nutter has played basketball since first grade, and she has enjoyed being part of a team. Nutter said, "I have made so many memories from my experiences. My favorites revolve mainly around the teams I've been on and the relationships I have made. I love Harpeth Hall summer team camps because we would all play card games in between games, eat every meal together, and become so close with each other no matter the grade." Basketball has taught Nutter many lessons throughout the years. Nutter said, "It has taught me hard work, determination, grit, confidence, leadership, and how to never give up."

Nutter knew it was time to quit before college. Over her twelve years of playing, Nutter thinks she has learned everything she could from basketball. Nevertheless, basketball has had a huge impact in her life, and she has already experienced what life is like without it since her season has ended. Nutter said, "Basketball was such a huge part of my life, and with its ending, I have lost a piece of myself. But because basketball used to take up such a huge portion of my time, I'm excited for my future of not playing in college because I will have the opportunity to experience new things and fill my time with new activities."

Safari Superlatives

Abby Anderson: most likely to become a Disney princess
 Mary Britton Anderson: most likely to win mom of the year
 Catherine Baker: most likely to star in Pitch Perfect
 Kristen Barrett: most likely to win a Pulitzer Prize
 Caroline Bennett: most likely to make a sarcastic remark
 Michelle Biesman: most likely to talk a mile a minute
 Grace Bradley: most likely to intimidate the freshman class
 Carrie Brake: most likely to know every lyric to a rap song
 Wynne Briggs: most likely to marry a British lad
 Kathryn Brown: most likely to finstagram her mom jeans
 Caroline Buffkin: most likely to be wearing Lily Pulitzer
 Mimi Bulow: most likely to create her own font
 Jordan Burkart: most likely to accidentally email a senator
 Olivia Caldwell: most likely to talk about #Ultra
 Kate Capizzi: most likely to be in the mafia
 Jenny Chung: most likely to be a K-pop star
 Taylor Cobb: most likely to survive solely on cereal
 Ellen Compton: most likely to move to China
 Katherine Coode: most likely to cry during graduation rehearsal
 Caroline Davis: most likely to take her mom to college
 Ashlyn Dentz: most likely to own a goat farm
 Dasha Didier: most likely to be the best dressed everywhere she goes
 Olivia Dobbs: most likely to teach her family the dance move "fried bacon"
 Laura Draughn: most likely to get ID'd when she's 30
 Courtney Dunn: most likely to laugh when she's uncomfortable
 Margot Dupuis: most likely to be a potato
 Emily Edwards: most likely to become a videographer
 Ellie Fitzpatrick: most likely to become the director of the CIA
 Bailey Flynn: most likely to take your food right off of your plate
 Sloane Fuller: most likely to become president of the United States
 Sanjaly Geevarghese: most likely to be terrified while watching a PG-13 movie
 Corinne Gibson: most likely to be drinking Dr. Pepper during a block
 Maddie Gilmore: most likely to eat expired meat
 Isabella Grande: most likely to be the next editor of Vogue
 Taylor Hardin: most likely to tell you you're wrong
 Laura Catherine Harrell: most likely to start a non-profit
 Caitlin Hatcher: most likely to be tackled by Ms. Bowers
 Claire Heflin: most likely to become a mermaid
 Carly Henderson: most likely to be denied service on a rollercoaster
 Keely Hendricks: most likely to rule the World and still be humble
 Alexandra Hulme: most likely to monogram everything
 Hannah Huth: most likely to become a distinguished alum
 Sellars Huy: most likely to be seen eating a potato
 Delaney Jacoway: most likely to tear up over excitement at a Roman ruin
 Madeline Jenkins: most likely to be a model
 Maggie Jennings: most likely to help a stranger
 Laurel Jobe: most likely to become a park ranger
 Lara Lillian Johnson: most likely to marry her dog
 Lee Lee Johnson: most likely to get out of a speeding ticket by using the baby voice
 Mary Grace Kelley: most likely to become a hippie
 Caroline Kohl: most likely to be smiling every second of the day
 Maggie Kunkel: most likely to want to go out to eat
 Griffin Link: most likely to have the best prom dresses
 Melissa Markham: most likely to be in love with a Revolutionary War soldier

Lucy Massey: most likely to take down the College Board
 Bailey McCarthy: most likely to ask a billion questions in class
 Grace McCaskill: most likely to break her bone and mend it herself
 Lauryn McSpadden: most likely to be good at everything
 Rachel Miller: most likely to tell you the whole plot of a movie
 Tess Myers: most likely to be talking about horses
 Ally Nawrocki: most likely to make fanny packs cool again
 Katie Nicholson: most likely to be promoting her jean business (follow @apple_bottom_jeans)
 Madi Nunn: most likely to give someone the evil eye but actually be happy
 Shelby Nutter: most likely to be on The Bachelorette
 Isabel Nygard: most likely to have read every book in the Ann Scott Carell Library
 Analise Obremskey: most likely to be team mom
 Priya Patel: most likely to not show up to graduation
 Lillie Penley: most likely to become the next Zoe Deschanel
 Sarah Perlin: most likely to create a rap of all European history
 Maddie Peterson: most likely to make the live-action of Nemo
 Sadie Petraitis: most likely to have been a drag queen in her past life
 Gracie Pope: most likely to join a street gang
 Raleigh Potts: most likely to cause an accident due to stunning goods looks
 Phoebe Powers: most likely to be playing with her belly button
 Anne Rajbundit: most likely to bake for no reason
 Mary Winston Reames: most likely to have a secret handshake with JRO
 Emma Roke: most likely to be babysitting at this moment
 Katherine Saul: most likely to say hi to everyone in the halls
 Alex Scott: most likely accidentally buy a pet tiger
 Caroline Scudder: most likely to pull the fire alarm when there isn't a fire
 Caroline Seeley: most likely to live out of her car
 Kelly Short: most likely to rebel against authority
 Callie Jane Simmons: most likely to break the rules and never get caught
 Abby Skinner: most likely to be a raging liberal
 Alex Slaton: most likely to create the most popular video game ever
 Georgia Slattery: most likely to have road rage
 Eleanor Smith: most likely to have 17 gentlemen callers
 Lucy Smith: most likely to put on sunscreen to sit in the shade
 Abbey Snow: most likely to walk your dogs
 Abby Sparrow: most likely to steal your cutlery
 Leslie Stark: most likely to be checking her horoscope
 Sara Swords: most likely to be captain of the linguistics team
 Whitley Taylor: most likely to be singing All American Girl at all hours of the day
 Claire Temple: most likely to have the perfect American family
 Elizabeth Tirrill: most likely to shut down meninists
 Eliza Trost: most likely to be the next Reese Witherspoon
 Graham Vandiver: most likely to look confused at every moment
 Anna Warner: most likely to marry her highschool sweetheart
 Emily Warren: most likely to be a famous artist
 Annie Weaver: most likely to be a comedian
 Helen Weaver: most likely to be unexpectedly sarcastic
 Sydney Webber: most likely to be a flight attendant, cop, chef, and DJ all at the same time
 Olivia Wilson: most likely to be at at McDonald's



By Saffee Croker
 Backpage Editor